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No evidence that Oldfield had compromised security

Ex-MI6 chief a homosexual says Thatcher

By Richard Evans, Political Correspondent

Sir Maurice Oldfield, former head of MI6, was a homosexual whose conduct had been a "potential risk to security", the Prime Minister disclosed last night.

In a carefully worded Commons answer, Mrs Margaret Thatcher insisted a lengthy and detailed investigation had concluded there was "no evidence or reason whatsoever" to suggest that security had ever been compromised due to his sexual activities.

But last night the revelations concerning one of Britain's best known spy catchers caused a political storm at Westminster with renewed demands for tighter control and parliamentary scrutiny of the security services.

Dr David Owen, who as Labour Foreign Secretary was Sir Maurice's immediate ministerial boss, described the affair as "a devastating blow to the credibility of the security services."

He said: "I am dismayed and dejected that Maurice Oldfield could have lied about his private life and put himself at risk in a way that he would never have tolerated from others."

Mrs Thatcher's statement came after weekend revelations by Mr Chapman Pincher, the author, that Special Branch officers discovered young male prostitutes, or "rough trade," had been visiting the Westminster flat of Sir Maurice after he became security co-ordinator in Northern Ireland in October 1979.

Sir Maurice, who had retired from MI6 in 1978 after an impeccable career in the secret intelligence service, had taken up the new job at the specific request of Mrs Thatcher but "subsequently reports were received which caused his positive vetting clearance to be reviewed", she said last night.

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"In March 1980, in the course of that review, he made an admission that he had from time to time engaged in homosexual activities. His positive vetting clearance was withdrawn.

"By this time he was already a sick man; he finally ceased to serve as security co-ordinator in Northern Ireland when a successor took over in June 1980; he died in March 1981."

She added: "There was a lengthy and thorough investigation by the Security Service, which included many interviews with Sir Maurice Oldfield himself, to examine whether there was any reasons to suppose that he himself or the interests of the country might have been compromised.

"The conclusion was that, though his conduct had been a potential risk to security, there was no evidence or reason whatsoever to suggest that security had ever been compromised; indeed he had contributed notably to a number of security and intelligence successes which would not have been achieved had there beeen a breach of security. That conclusion stands."

The facts of the case were made known to the Security Commission, when it carried out a review of security procedures and practices, including vetting, which was commissioned by Mrs Thatcher in March 1981.

Dr Owen, who pointedly referred to the former MI6 chief as plain "Maurice Oldfield", said the homosexuality admission was "yet one more incident" that called into question the control of the security services, the rigour with which positive vetting arrangements were implemented and the need for a far more vigorous scrutiny procedure.

"The Prime Minister cannot continue to resist the overwhelming case for parliamentary scrutiny, nor can she evade her own responsibility that I drew to her attention last Novermber for failing over three years to implement the Security Commission's recommendation for random searches to be conducted in relation to GCHQ and other government establishments."

Mr Chapman Pincher, who exposed Oldfield's vulnerable past, had just finished a day's fishing in Scotland when *The Times* told him of Mrs Thatcher's Commons statement: "It confirms all that I said. But I had known I could not be wrong.

"You cannot expose a thing like this about a man at Oldfield's level with information that reaches you having passed through two or three mouths. Distortion could creep in and wreck a man. My information on Maurice Oldfield came from a prime source. Absolutely first-hand. It had to be correct.

"But I am not, absolutely not, crowing about having

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Sir Maurice Oldfield (top), who has been confirmed as homosexual, Mr Chapman Pincher, who exposed him, and Mrs Thatcher, who made the statement, yesterday.

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Colombo pledge to crush Tamil rebels

From Michael Hamlyn, Colombo

The Sri Lankan Government, enraged by increasing Tamil violence and the terrorist bomb which ripped though Colombo's bus station killing 106 people, yesterday declared virtual war on its Jaffna peninsula.

In its toughest statement so far on the Tamil separatist war, the Government declared that it intended to completely destroy "the terrorist camps" in the north.

One Government Minister also conceded that "many innocent lives will be lost".

The Government was urged on by the parliamentary group of the ruling United National Party (UNP).

After being addressed by President Jaywardene, a UNP meeting in Parliament passed a unanimous resolution which urged the security forces to continue "without interruption" the annihilation of terrorism and terrorists.

"We said there should be no ceasefire and no negotiation," said one MP afterwards.

President Jayewardene assured his Party members that they would achieve victory.

Later in Parliament, Mr Gamini Dissanayake, the Minister for Land Resources, urged the opposition to give the fullest support to the armed forces.

"All the camps in Jaffna should be removed," he said, measuring his words slowly. "No matter who suffers. Everybody who participates in terrorism should be removed from society, not arrested."

The Minister declared that this was being done because the Tamil rebels started killing innocent people.

The feelings of the UNP members were expressed most firmly by the member for Agalawatte, Mr Merril Kariyawasan, who told Parliament after the meeting:

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"We have finally taken a decision that we shall destroy the terrorists."

Mr Kariyawasan drew a comparison with the dropping of the atom bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki which ended the war with Japan.

He said: "We shall have to take a lot of decisions that will not be helpful to civilians. Jaffna might become a Hiroshima."

The MP added: "There was a time when we did not attack Jaffna because we did not have the strength. But now we have the strength and the sophisticated weapons."

Meanwhile, the security forces yesterday continued their series of bombing raids on targets in the Jaffna peninsula. But having made a point of announcing on Wednesday that civilians had also been killed in the air strikes, a spokesman for the Government's Media Centre was still unable to say how many people had died in the raids.

Nurses to get 9.5 per cent

Leaders applaud increases

Thatcher approves £920m pay awards

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

The Government's decision to fully implement the recommendations of all three health service pay review bodies was last night applauded by both nurses and doctors' leaders.

Announcing the increases Mr Norman Fowler, the Secretary of State for Services Secretary, said that the Government was providing an additional £396 million from the reserve to meet the cost of the £714 million award.

The awards, which have been fully implemented for the first time in three years, will cover 486,000 nurses, 114,000 doctors and 30,000 allied professionals.

Yesterday the Royal College of Nursing welcomed the award but warned that health authorities would still be hard pressed to subsidize the pay settlements.

RCN general secretary, Mr Trevor Clay, said that he was glad that the Government had at last seen fit to fully implement the review body recommendations, but he demanded to know why this had not been done in previous years.

"The Government must bear in mind that the review body considered these recommendations the minimum required to begin to stop the

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The Government yesterday gave another explicit election signal by agreeing in full to independently proposed pay rises for nurses and midwives, doctors and dentists and the armed forces.

The Prime Minister announced average pay rises from April 1 of 9.5 per cent for Britain's 450,000 nurses and midwives, 7.7 per cent for 100,000 doctors and dentists and 5.96 per cent for 324,000 members of the armed forces.

Not since 1977 has a government implemented the recommendations of all three review bodies in full.

The Government has also agreed to an average 4.8 per cent award for 2,000 judges, senior members of the armed forces and top Civil Servants but implementation of the recommendation from the Top Salaries Review Body will be staged, with 4.25 per cent being paid immediately from April 1 and the balance from October 1. It means increases of more than £3,000 a year for the most senior members of the judiciary and civil service heads and more than £2,000 a year for circuit judges and senior Service officers.

The overall cost of the awards is £920 million.

The Cabinet's decision yesterday morning to accept the review body proposals delighted Conservative MPs, the majority of whom now believe an election in June to be inevitable.

They had been pressing hard for the nurses' pay recommendation to be implemented in full and many viewed the full awards for doctors and dentists and the armed forces as a bonus. After the row two years ago over top people's pay, when 100 Conservative MPs rebelled against increases of up to 46 per cent for the most senior Civil Servants, the staging of that award was also seen as good tactics.

Last year the Cabinet halved the proposed awards for top people. This year the Top Salaries Review Body said in its report about its proposed salary levels: "We attach great importance to their implementation in full from the due date."

Opposition leaders last night welcomed the nurses' pay award, although they were unanimous in agreeing that the Government had indulged in another electioneering exercise.

Dr David Owen, leader of the Social Democrats, said: "The parsimony of the last two years has left a legacy of

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Pakistan buys British ships

By Michael Evans, Defence Correspondent

The Government of Pakistan confirmed yesterday that it has agreed to buy three British Type 23 frigates for about £560 million. Negotiations are continuing over the credit terms.

A British team from Yarrow Shipbuilders, who would build two of the frigates, and representatives from Grindlays Bank and the Ministry of Defence, are in Pakistan finalizing the deal.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman in Islamabad said yesterday: "We have accepted the proposal provided the credit terms can be resolved to mutual satisfaction."

The Prime Minister of Pakistan, Mr Mohammad Khan Junejo, told Mrs Thatcher that his Government had decided to buy the British ships when he visited London earlier this month, as disclosed in *The Times* on April 17. But the decision was not announced at the time because the credit terms still had to be negotiated.

Sources in Islamabad said that the overall price of just under £560 million might be reduced by cutting down on some equipment.

In London, officials were hopeful that the financial details could be worked out before the end of the month.

During the long negotiations with Pakistan over replacement ships for their ageing fleet, Britain faced competition from West Germany and the Netherlands. But the Pakistani Government was impressed by the new Type 23 frigate.

The agreement would safeguard the jobs of 4,300 people at Yarrow, on the Clyde.

Snooker player, 23, admits using heart drug

By John Goodbody and Sydney Friskin

Neal Foulds, aged 23, the professional snooker player, said yesterday that he was taking beta-blockers on a medical prescription for a heart condition during this week's World Championship in Sheffield.

His admission follows last week's report in *The Times* that five drug tests from two other players had been positive over the last 15 months.

The use of beta-blockers is banned, even with a doctor's prescription, by the International Olympic Committee and the Sports Council because of their widespread misuse. Shooters and archers have used them to slow the heartbeat and reduce tremor in tense situations.

The World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association (WPBSA) do not ban beta-blockers, despite their probable help to a top-class competitor, if the player can produce a doctor's prescription. The governing body has refused to identify the players who have been positive, although they are believed to be middle-aged.

Foulds said that a few days before the World Championship, for which he is seeded 13th, he had felt discomfort in his chest. After an ECG examination, tachycardia (a rapid heart beat) was diagnosed. This can be caused by intense excitement, from adrenalin, and also be associated with high blood pressure.

The snooker player who has won one major tournament and been runner-up in two others this season, was given Tenormin, a type of beta-blocker.

He said yesterday: "Obviously I am concerned with the doctor's diagnosis. I now want to concentrate on the rest of the tournament and I hope that after making my doctor's diagnosis public I will be left alone to do just that."

Rex Williams, the WPBSA chairman, has admitted on television that he has taken the drug under prescption "because of the pressures of business and the life that I lead".

Mr David Forster, a neuro-surgeon and medical adviser to the WPBSA, last week said that the some players who were taking the drug have "quite serious" conditions.

"It would be different if we thought there was an abuse — if people taking them were creeping down the age scale and younger people were involved", he said.

Mr Barry Hearn, who manages Foulds, and several other leading players including Steve Davis, told *The Times* last week that none of his group took beta-blockers. Yesterday he said that news of Foulds's condition was a "colossal shock".

On Sunday, Foulds will play Dennis Taylor, the 1985 world champion, for a place in the quarter-finals.

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Thatcher plan on jobs benefits hints at June poll

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

The Prime Minister yesterday gave the broadest hint yet of an election in June as she told MPs that "very soon" the Conservative manifesto would include a plan to deprive of unemployment benefit youngsters aged 16 to 18 who refused to take up jobs, continue education or accept a training place.

There was a further sign of the impending election when nurses, doctors and others covered by review body pay arrangements were granted their recommended pay rise in full. Ministers were no longer bothering to draw the thinnest of veils over their expectation of a June poll.

Mr John Biffen, the Leader of the Commons, asked by a Conservative MP for legislation to restrict phoney opinion polls, took his tone from the Prime Minister in replying: "Getting such legislation through would be a formidable obstacle over the next few weeks."

Mrs Margaret Thatcher's first explicit admission of the imminence of an election came when she was asked by Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour Party leader, if she favoured welfare benefits being conditional upon people taking compulsory work or training.

There were Conservative cheers when she replied: "I think we will very soon be putting to the electorate whether young people who neither stay on at school, nor stay on in education, nor take training, nor take a job are entitled to receive supplementary benefit."

In response to a further question from Mr Kinnock, Mrs Thatcher said: "If they choose to refuse all three it is not the Government who pay them, but any benefit is found by working people. They are not entitled to call on their neighbours to keep them under those circumstances."

In her exchanges with Mr Kinnock, Mrs Thatcher confirmed that the Government has recoiled from any plans to implement a full Workfare programme in Britain, with benefit being conditional upon the unemployed being

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willing to undertake compulsory tasks or training. But to the fury of the Opposition she qualified her announcement that there would be no proposals for compulsory work as a condition of benefit with the expression "at the moment".

Mr Kinnock called her announcement about Conservative plans to withdraw supplementary benefit from young people who did not continue education or take up a job or training place as "forced labour" and Opposition MPs said that it confirmed their claim that a re-elected Conservative Government would introduce Workfare under another name with a tightening of benefit rules.

Ministers have studied the possibility of altering responsibility for some benefit payments from the Department of Health and Social Security to the Department of Employment and of varying

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Japan reduces risk of trade war

By Richard Evans, Political Correspondent

Japan is bringing forward the date when British financial institutions can operate on the Tokyo Stock Exchange — and has thereby reduced the risk of a damaging trade war with Britain.

The key move, which follows the recent visit to Tokyo by Mr Michael Howard, Minister for Consumer Affairs, coincides with encouraging noises made by Mr Shunajiro Karasawa, Japan's Minister of Posts and Telecommunications, concerning Cable and Wireless's attempt to enter the country's international telephone market.

Mrs Thatcher has made it clear that the willingness of the Japanese Government to allow Cable and Wireless a full and substantial participation in Japan's telecommunication's field is seen as a "key test" of its intention to open up its markets.

When Mr Howard visited Japan the main items on his shopping list involved the Cable and Wirless issue and obtaining a timetable for entry of foreign firms to the country's stock exchange.

At the moment only one wholly owned British firm, Warburg's, is allowed to trade on the Stock Exchange and originally Japanese authorities said they were not prepared to accept any other companies until the Autumn of 1988. It was argued that lack of room in the stock exchange buildings made it impossible to accomodate them.

But now Tokyo has indicated British financial instituions will be allowed to start trading in the spring of next year. Talks will take place this November on when firms can become members of the exchange. For Warburg's there was a four month gap between becoming an exchange member and trading.

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NEWS SUMMARY

Disaster ferry expected in port

The Townsend Thoresen ferry, Herald of Free Enterprise, is expected to return to the Belgian port of Zeebrugge tonight seven weeks after she capsized with the loss of at least 176 lives.

Work was expected to begin overnight on pumping out water from the lower cargo deck, where a further 20 bodies may still be trapped, so that she can be refloated. But it may be several days before any remaining bodies can be recovered.

Meanwhile, the Government yesterday followed the lead set by the P & O shipping group in unilaterally raising the limit on compensation which can be received for death or injury to sea passengers to £80,000.

Explosives haul

Police in the Irish Republic yesterday seized their second haul of explosives in 24 hours in counties bordering Northern Ireland.

Seven bags containing home-made explosives were discovered hidden in a bog near Bumbeg, Co Donegal, by Gardai on routine patrol.

The find occurred after the discovery of an underground concrete bunker containing bomb-making equipment, including nitro-benzine, behind a hay shed on a farm near Virginia, Co Cavan.

Heysel petition

The Director of Public Prosecutions is to petition the House of Lords for leave to appeal over the blocking by a High Court judge of the extradition to Belgium of 26 Liverpool football fans (Our Legal Affairs Correspondent writes).

If leave is granted, the appeal will be conducted personally by Sir Michael Havers QC, Attorney General, or Sir Patrick Mayhew QC, Solicitor General.

Boost in drugs war

Three new fast patrol boats are set to join the fight by HM Customs and Excise against drugs smuggling.

A £5.5 million contract for them has been awarded to Fairey Marine Ltd, of Cowes, Isle of Wight.

The new vessels, with a top speed of 25 knots, will be used for coastal and deep water anti-smuggling patrols.

They will replace three 20-metre cutters which have been in service for the past 10 years.

Riddle of shell blast

Forensic science tests on fragments of an army shell which injured a boy walking on a public path on Dartmoor were carried out last night as an inquiry began into the blast.

James Gibb, aged 12, of Henrietta Road, Thame, Oxfordshire, was satisfactory in hospital.

The army said there had been no recent firing on the range. The leader of the walk said she was not sure whether the boy picked up anything.

Graffiti rules

Graffiti, the bane of local authorities and transport companies, is to be officially recognized as an art form.

The highlight of the East Coast Arts Festival, to be held in Bridlington, Humberside, from May 2-9, is Britain's first International Graffiti Festival.

Entrants from several countries will compete for a £1,000 first prize, displaying their skills on a disused railway platform.

The town's mayor will open the contest by spraying "Bridlington Rules OK" on a wall.

£8m attack on cancer

An £8 million boost for cancer treatment and research involving Oxford University, the area health authority and the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, is on the way.

Oxford will gain a £3 million laboratory at the John Radcliffe Hospital to investigate genetic changes and cancer, and a 12-bed ward for patients at the Churchill Hospital. A new professor's chair is to be created at the university to specialize in cancer treatment.

Californian frog dispute

New York – A California schoolgirl is threatening to make a federal case out of a frog. Jenifer Graham, a 15-year-old from Victorville, north-east of Los Angeles, is fighting a school ruling that she must dissect frogs in her biology class or drop the course (Charles Bremner writes).

The Humane Society of the United States and a team of high-powered lawyers have stepped in behind her and will represent her against the school board next month.

Pageantry returns to Liverpool

The pomp and circumstance of a bygone age yesterday returned to Liverpool where it had been outlawed by its former Militant Labour rulers.

Crowds cheered the Lord Mayor Lady Doreen Jones as she was driven through the city in a horse-drawn coach, rescued from obscurity in the museum store to which it was consigned by Labour.

Lady Jones travelled in traditional civic spendour to the city's St George's Hall which was re-opened to mark the feast day of the nation's patron saint.

The Lord Mayor of Liverpool, Lady Doreen Jones, leaving St George's Hall after the re-opening ceremony yesterday.

Battle for votes in council elections puts spotlight on services or lower rates

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

Voters in this year's local elections will essentially be choosing whether they want more services or lower rates.

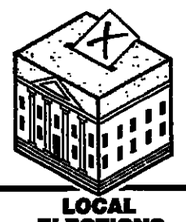
Although national issues will figure with a general election so close, the essence of the local government elections battle this year is money.

The Labour Party accuses the Government of starving local authorities of the funds to provide proper services. The Conservatives accuse Labour authorities of being spendthrifts. Both accuse the Alliance of being a pale imitation of its main opponents.

Mr Norman Tebbit, the Conservative Party chairman, says: "When John Cunningham (Labour's environment spokesman) accuses Conservative councils of being penny pinching he thinks that is an insult. We take it as a compliment. Those pennies are not ours to waste."

Labour accuses the Government of starving local councils of funds

Labour claims in return: "The average Conservative council provides a far worse level of service than the average Labour council". It criticizes Conservative councils for raising rents and cutting services and the Government, which has introduced 14 Bills in its quest to control local government expenditure, for undermining local democracy by taking power back to Whitehall.



LOCAL ELECTIONS

The Conservative pitch is that those too young to remember the last Labour Government have in Labour local government a warning of what another Labour Government would provide. It says that the Left, having been driven out of trades unions by Conservative reforms, saw the power and patronage of local government as a new lure.

Claiming that the activities of the so-called "Loony Left" are not confined to London (where there are no local elections this year), the Conservatives say that left-wing Labour administrations hold sway over some six million people. They put the debts of Labour councils who have gone in for deferred purchase schemes at more than £2 billion.

The Conservatives say Labour councillors are hostile to the police, having set up in some areas police committees whose only function is to collect complaints, and claims that the party wastes money on funding single issue campaign groupsand political propaganda.

Labour would abolish rate-capping and surcharging which the Conservatives claim to be the only protection for the ratepayer against councillors' abuse of power.

But the local elections are likely to be much more of a test of Conservative plans for rates reform, with the abolition of domestic rates and their replacement by a community charge on all adults, together with the introduction of a unified business rate.

Labour is countering Conservative claims of profligacy by insisting that Labour councils do more things for more people and emphasizing the need for investment.

Conservatives accuse Labour authorities of being spendthrifts

Labour's local government publicity material emphasizes law and order, promising more policemen on the beat, better street lighting. It calls for more investment in education.

The Alliance, which is pledged to regional parliaments and greater local accountability, echoes the Tories in promising better value for money but follows Labour in accusing the Government of trying to kill local democracy. Mr Des Wilson, the Liberal president, says: "We believe that the issue that is at stake is the level of service to local people."

The Alliance is charged with being a pale imitation of its main opponents

Using local government as an advertisement for the coalition politics it would like to see nationally, the Alliance claims that where the parties have got together in realistic talks, local people have gained a fairer deal, open government

Labour says of the Alliance: "In the very few councils they control the Alliance have proved to be nothing more than Tories in disguise". The Conservatives say the opposite, claiming that the Alliance in local government has proved Labour's mirror image.

The Alliance, however, says that it has consistently clipped the wings of Labour extremists. "Labour minority administrations which must do a deal with the Alliance to get their budget through have on average lower rate rises than Conservative minority administrations".

Concorde lands 'like a fighter'

By Harvey Elliott
Air Correspondent

The pilot of a British Airways Concorde flew his supersonic jet like a fighter to force down a jammed undercarriage.

As engineers yesterday examined the aircraft on the runway of Prestwick airport they were convinced that only Captain John Cook's superb airmanship prevented a crash landing earlier this week.

The Concorde, which was on a "circuit and bumps" training routine with five potential supersonic pilots and three training officials on board, was making its seventh approach of the day at the Nato base of Machrihanish.

As one of the trainees lined up for a standard landing approach, he reported that one of three green lights on the instrument panel which should have glowed to show that the entire landing gear was locked into place, had failed to appear. This meant that the port landing leg had not fully retracted.

Repeated attempts to get it to lock into position by using the standard procedures failed and Captain Cook, the flight training manager of the Concorde fleet, decided to head back to base at Prestwick and take over the landing himself.

He reckoned that if he could put the aircraft into a high-speed steep turn and induce enough "G force" it could just be enough to snap the troublesome gear into position.

"We used to use this technique in the old RAF aircraft", he said last night.

By banking slightly he was able to keep the damaged undercarriage off the runway until the very last moment.

Layoffs continue at Luton plant

By Ronald Faux
Employment Affairs Correspondent

The giant Vauxhall car plant at Luton, Bedfordshire, lay silent yesterday, victim of an unofficial strike by a key group of 48 welding maintenance fitters demanding higher status and more pay.

Some 2,500 other workers were laid off for the second day without pay while negotiators tried to settle the dispute and £4 million was lost on production.

The strike began as Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Employment, was telling a Confederation of British Industry conference that Britain now enjoyed a new era of good industrial relations.

It also coincided with a record demand for the company's Cavalier and the highest earnings Vauxhall workers have yet achieved.

Few employees expected that the stoppage would be prolonged. One said yesterday: "There is too much at stake. Because it is an own goal and not caused by some external reason, no one gets paid."

The strong certainty was that one dispute does not make a return to the industrial anarchy of the seventies when Vauxhall lost five million man hours or 27 per cent of all available working time to wildcat strikes.

Last year that figure had reduced to less than 1 per cent. Another worker said: "Lord Young may be quite right to say that things have improved beyond recognition but that doesn't mean the right to strike for a justifiable reason has been tossed out the window".

Vauxhall workers take home an average of more than £200 a week including overtime and productivity bonus.

There was no wish to see the dispute extend or particular sympathy for the aggrieved 48, members of the EETPU and the AEU, who have been told their claim must wait until the next round of negotiations

● Ford was Britain's only big vehicle manufacturer to be profitable in 1986, although its profits slumped to £108 million from £160 million in 1985. Its rivals Austin Rover, Peugeot Talbot and Vauxhall were all in the red last year.

Currency fluctuations which increased sharply the cost of West German, Belgian and Spanish-built Fords and components from the Continent are blamed by Ford for the fall in British profits.

Yugoslav grandmaster seizes dramatic lead

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

Ljubomir Ljubojevic, the Yugoslav grandmaster, has seized the lead in dramatic fashion in the SWIFT "Super Grandmaster" chess tournament in Brussels.

Ljubojevic, playing black against Bent Larsen (Denmark) in the tenth round, rapidly gained the initiative and ended with an overwhelming final attack after his opponent had committed several errors.

Meanwhile, the two great Russians, Gary Kasparov, the world champion, and Anatoly Karpov, played their 100th match against each other, a record for modern chess.

Kasparov walked a tightrope with the black pieces in a desperate effort to win. He got into terrible time-trouble and lost a pawn but took some of the initiative. He finally won a pawn but it was insufficient to force a win.

A huge public ovation greeted the two players when they agreed to a draw, and they were jointly awarded a special prize for the most interesting game of the round.

Nevertheless, this result permitted Ljubojevic to take the overall lead.

Yesterday was devoted to the clearance of adjourned matches. The eleventh and final round will be played today when Ljubojevic, playing white, faces, Karpov, and Kasparov, playing white, meets Mikhail Tal.

Leading standings: 1, Ljubojevic 8 points; 2, Kasparov 7½; 3, Karpov 6 and one match adjourned; 4, Tal 6.

Branson starts tree project

Mr Richard Branson climbed central London's highest tree yesterday to launch the Forest of London project – part of the UK2000 campaign of which he is chairman.

It took him 35 minutes to climb all 120ft of the plane tree behind St George's Church, South Audley Street.

He hopes to give thousands in London the inspiration to plant and tend saplings.

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Mary, royal forebear who will not go away

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

The execution of Mary Queen of Scots 400 years ago is to be marked this year by a service in Westminster Abbey, where she is buried, but without royal participation. It is, some Scottish sources say, still too politically sensitive.

Buckingham Palace maintained there would have been no precedent for such a royal presence: members of the Royal family do not take part in commemorations of the death of Charles I either.

Discounted on both sides is any suggestion of a religious controversy – though Mary was a Roman Catholic, executed on the orders of the Protestant Queen Elizabeth I.

But Mr Ian Barr, chairman of the Saltire Society in Edinburgh, is claiming that the English establishment and Buckingham Palace are "singularly uninterested" in giving Mary Queen of Scots any official recognition.

He asked, in a letter to *The Scotsman* newspaper: "What are the Scots to make of that?"

Mr Barr said yesterday that the present Queen's descentruns through Mary Queen of Scots through her son James VI (James I of England), not through Henry VIII.

Buckingham Palace said the present Queen had lent some historic items for an exhibition concerning Mary Queen of Scots in Holyrood Palace.

Professor Jack Scarusbrick, an expert on Reformation history, said: "I think Elizabeth II probably feels exactly the same embarrassment as Elizabeth I did: just wishing the woman would go away".

Minister cuts relations with defiant Dalyell

By Sheila Gunn, Political Staff

War broke out at Westminster last night between two Scots in a bizarre twist to the Project Zircon spy satellite affair.

In a move which has staggered his fellow ministers, Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Secretary of State for Scotland, severed relations with Mr Tam Dalyell, the Labour MP for Linlithgow.

At issue is Mr Dalyell's persistent allegation that Mr Rifkind knew about the plan to swoop on the BBC's Glasgow offices to seize material on the project the day before the raid.

Mr Rifkind's patience finally snapped yesterday when he sent a letter to Mr Dalyell stating: "Your refusal either to withdraw these false allegations or to attempt to substantiate them leads me to conclude that you are motivated by malice or obsession and not by the public interest.

"Until such time as you withdraw these false allegations against my integrity and honesty, any further communication with you will be the minimum".

The dispute dates back to April 3 when Mr Dalyell accused Mr Rifkind of being "economical with the truth" about his knowledge of the raid.

An unrepentant Mr Dalyell last night described Mr Rifkind's attack as "like a footballer who, when he cannot get the ball, responds by going for the man".

Mr Dalyell has warned Mrs Margaret Thatcher that he intends to raise the issue next Thursday when he is drawn second in Prime Minister's question time.

Legal case for private education

By Frances Gibb
Legal Affairs Correspondent

The abolition of fee-paying independent schools as proposed by the Labour Party would be illegal under the European Convention on Human Rights, according to two barristers who are experts in European law.

The opinion of Anthony Lester, QC, and Mr David Pannick is put forward in a booklet published yesterday with a supporting foreword from Lord Scarman, the former Lord of Appeal.

In it the barristers, both Social Democrat lawyers, say they are of "the fir .a opinion" that a future government could not lawfully prohibit fee-paying independent education, remove the benefits of charitable status, or impose Value Added Tax on school fees.

Independent Schools – The Legal Case (ISIS, 56 Buckingham Gate, London SW1E 6AG.£1).

● The annual conference of the second biggest teaching union, the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers, yesterday rejected the advice of its national executive and voted by an overwhelming majority for a motion demanding that "no teacher should be required to cover for the absence of another teacher".

Judge Pickles launches TV challenge

By Frances Gibb
Legal Affairs Correspondent

Judge James Pickles, the outspoken circuit judge who has been threatened with dismissal, yesterday challenged Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, the Lord Chancellor, to air his differences with him in a television debate.

"The rift between myself and Lord Hailsham is unseemly and ought to be ended", Judge Pickles said.

The judge, aged 62, said he was prepared to debate on television certain matters "which are of great public interest": they are the Kilmuir rules, which prevent judges from speaking out in public, the system of judicial appointments and whether there ought to be a ministry of justice in place of the present system with the Lord Chancellor as its head.

He was prepared to meet the Lord Chancellor to discuss outstanding problems, but only on condition "that the Lord Chancellor withdraws the threat to sack me contained in his letter of June 21, 1985; I can't negotiate with a pistol at my head. Second, that a shorthand note be taken of what is said."

He denied that he was daring the Lord Chancellor to dismiss him. "What I am saying is that there are matters which ought to be discussed in public." The latest broadside from the judge coincides with the publication yesterday of his book, *Straight from the Bench*, in which he launches a further attack on what he sees as the shortcomings of the present legal system.

The book is the latest of Judge Pickles's pronouncements, all of which are in breach of the Kilmuir rules which prohibit judges from speaking out without the Lord Chancellor's permission. Those rules are a "dead letter" and should be abolished, he maintains.

Yesterday the Lord Chancellor's Department would not comment either on the book or on the judge's invitation to Lord Hailsham to take part in a debate.

Frozen embryos yield the world's first twins born 18 months apart

Couple tell of their joy as test-tube baby goes home

By Craig Seton

The world's first test-tube "twins" to have been conceived at the same time but born 18 months apart were taken home from hospital in a Rolls-Royce yesterday by their thrilled and overwhelmed parents.

The new arrival, Elizabeth, who made medical history when she was born two days ago at the North Staffordshire Maternity Hospital, Stoke-on-Trent, joined her twin sister Amy, born 18 months ago, for the short journey to a family celebration and party.

Their proud father, Mr Phil Wright, a games teacher, aged 36, and their mother, Mrs Mary Wright, aged 38, also a teacher, drove the twins home in a Silver Shadow that he had bought to start a new executive and wedding cars business.

As they left the maternity hospital after an emotional farewell to medical staff who helped in the birth, Mr Wright, who was also celebrating his birthday, said: "I just want to get them all home".

Earlier he had described how he hid from his wife his feeling of hopelessness of ever being able to start a family.

Elizabeth's birth was a dream come true for the couple, who had taken part in medical tests for five years before their twins arrived. Their new family, born after test tube baby treatment from eggs kept in a deep freeze, also cost them £5,000, but they said it was money well spent.

Mr Wright said he feared the couple would never be able to start a family because Mrs Wright was sterilized when her previous marriage broke up.

He said: "I was very sceptical. When we got to the frozen aspect of it I thought there was no hope, but I never dared say that to Mary."

Eggs had been taken from Mrs Wright at the Bourn Hall fertility clinic, near Cambridge, which is run by Mr Patrick Steptoe, the gynaecologist, and Dr Robert Edwards.

They were then fertilized with Mr Wright's sperm and implanted in his wife.

The couple had Amy 18 months ago and were so delighted with her that they asked doctors to try implanting another egg which had been frozen in liquid nitrogen. Four eggs had been kept frozen and although two did not survive the thawing process, one of the remaining two produced Elizabeth.

Mr Wright said: "It was a chance of millions and millions to one. To get one baby from a frozen embryo is a miracle but to get two is phenomenal."

During both pregnancies he and his wife had stimulated the babies in the womb by playing music to them and gently tapping them.

Speaking with obvious admiration for his wife, he said that at some times the tests they had had to undergo had seemed endless.

"She did this for me and it is fantastic because she is no spring chicken. She will be 39 in the summer."

The couple are both teachers at the Coppic Special School in Newcastle under Lyme, where they met.

Mr Wright is shortly to leave teaching to start his car hire business.

Having the babies had been an emotional as well as a financial strain.

But Mr Wright, who was present at both births, said: "They may have been babies by overdraft but we could never have spent £5,000 so well".

Elizabeth weighed 8lbs 11oz and, like her mother, was fit and well after the birth.

Mrs Wright said: "It is hard to take it all in but I feel wonderful. We have spent so long looking forward to this but now it has happened I am having trouble taking it in."

The couple intend to bring up their "twins" normally — away from the public gaze — but when they are old enough to understand they will tell them the circumstances of their extraordinary birth and their place in the medical history books.

Mrs Wright said she and her husband were optimists and she was a fighter.

But the couple rejected the notion that they had faced a moral or religious dilemma over the use of the in-vitro fertilization method to produce their wonderful children.

Mrs Wright said: "I know some religious people are opposed to it but I do not think they really understand. Every test tube baby is desperately wanted and desperately longed for."

Her husband said: "If anyone came here and saw these two perfect babies how could they say that it is immoral?"

The couple believe that test-tube babies are becoming so common that by the time their children are at school, one of their friends might also have been born that way.

Mr Duncan Gough, the consultant gynaecologist who looked after Mrs Wright, said that in his opinion the girls were not true twins.

He regarded twins as being two foetuses that develop together in the same uterus.

But Mr Wright was obviously unconcerned about the gynaecological technicalities. He said proudly before taking his family home: "They are fraternal twins".

The birth certificates of the twins will give no indication that they are unique. A spokesman for the registrar of births at St Catherine's House in London said that the sisters Amy and Elizabeth Wright would not be registered as twins.

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Legislation likely as medical and ethical concern grows

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

The birth of "twins" 18 months apart to parents at Stoke-on-Trent could be the first of many children developed from frozen embryos.

The two babies born to Mrs Mary Wright were conceived three years ago in a petri dish in the laboratory at Bourn Hall Clinic, Cambridge, of the test-tube baby pioneers, Mr Patrick Steptoe and Dr Robert Edwards.

Mr Steptoe said yesterday there were about 300 other embryos of other infertile couples stored in the sub-zero conditions.

Commenting on the concern that still surrounded conception by in-vitro fertilization, the couple said yesterday that every test-tube baby was desperately wanted and desperately longed for.

About 50 babies had so far been born after freezing and were all normal.

Nevetherless every advance in the treatment for infertility, which has produced about 3,500 babies worldwide, including 1,000 in Britain, raises a new set of medical and ethical concerns.

There is no legislation covering the protection of frozen embryos and how long they can be stored. But the Government is planning to introduce regulations in the next Parliament, depending on the replies to a consultative document sent recently to interested groups.

The government proposals embrace surrogate motherhood and the fate of test embryos not used to treat infertility, as well as the terms of running test tube-baby services.

The intention is to make it an offence for mothers to bear children for another woman.

A statutory licensing authority would be created for infertility clinics, embryos used for research would be kept no longer than 14 days after fertilization and non-commercial surrogacy arrangements would be illegal.

A period of 25 days for the length of time a human embryo should be cultured in the laboratory was proposed at the last meeting of the European Society of Human Reproduction and Embryology.

Mr Steptoe, a Fellow of the Royal Society, said he thought embryos should be stored for longer than two years. Other researchers have suggested a time limit of 10 years.

He believed they should then be disposed of either by giving them to research or by possibly making them available to other people. He suggested embryo donation was "right, ethical and moral".

An egg could be donated to a couple if a wife had a hereditary condition, which meant there would be a high probability of her own genetic children being affected by an abnormality.

The cost of a course of infertility treatment at one of the clinics covered by the Voluntary Licensing Authority formed in Britain is between £900 and £1,800.

St George's Day enjoys a revival

By Ruth Gledhill

Celebrations, official speeches and lavish dinners were the way England paid homage yesterday to its patron saint.

St George's Day was celebrated more widely than at any other time in the past 25 years, according to the Royal Society of St George.

The society laid a wreath of roses at the Cenotaph in honour of those who had died for England.

Its president, Sir Colin Cole, said: "St George was not English but he came to be regarded as the patron saint of England 750 years ago.

"This was largely because he was a typical soldier saint. I do not think he is in any danger of being forgotten."

Harrods was embarrassed to discover that for the first time in as long as anyone could remember the store had forgotten to hoist the flag.

"Last year all the staff were wearing roses. The maintenance men normally put out the flag but they said no one asked them to do it this year", it said.

Sotheby's remembered yesterday morning that it was St George's Day and despatched a messenger to the north London flagmakers, Ernest Perrett, to buy a flag.

Mr Ernest Pleass, director at Perrett's, recorded a roaring trade in the red and white crossed flags.

Florists in London sold roses at about 70p each in bunches of up to 60 at a time.

Westminster's Lord Mayor, Mrs Terence Mallinson, held a City Hall reception for the charitable hostel St George's, to which none of the 70 homeless men the hostel accommodates was invited.

At St George's Cathedral, in Southwark, south London, it was decided that the saint's day was too close to Easter —it has been "moved" to May 9.

In Dover, there was added poignancy to the ceremony to remember those who died during the St George's Day raid on Zeebrugge in 1918.

GPs 'must take more notice of Aids'

By Thomson Prentice
Science Correspondent

Family doctors were urged to take more interest in the care of Aids patients yesterday after only 10 general practitioners attended a national conference on the disease.

The organizers expressed disappointment at the low turn out of GPs among 200 health workers and other delegates at the two-day conference at Bradford University.

"We hoped many more doctors would attend. They will have to treat Aids as a priority before it arrives on their own doorsteps", Dr Liakat Parapia, one of the organizers, said.

Dr Peter Jones, director of the Newcastle Haemophilia Centre, said: "Family doctors must not be led to believe that Aids is the responsibility only of hospitals. It is inevitable that they will have to play a pivotal role in the care of Aids sufferers in the community."

Some doctors, in common with the general public, were afraid of the disease or had misconceptions about the risks of contact with victims of it, he said.

About 50,000 people in Britain may now be infected and the present 700 cases of Aids could rise to about 4,000 within the next two years, the conference was told.

Professor Mark Baker, the district general manager of Bradford Health Authority, said that deaths from Aids would overtake those from cervical cancer — about 2,000 a year — by 1990 and would eclipse the annual toll from breast cancer — about 15,000 — by the mid 1990s.

"All the portents exist for a medieval backlash against infected people and their families. We must ensure that the sufferers are offered compassion, humanity and skill."

Dr Francoise Barre-Sinoussi of the Pasteur Institute in Paris said that a second Aids virus, HIV2, was probably spreading already in most European countries including Britain.

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Mr John Turner, an architect, of Onslow Village, Guildford, Surrey, is the sole winner of the £4,000 Portfolio Gold Prize.

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Child hunt was ploy to win wife

A man told police his daughter aged six was missing in an attempt to persuade his wife to return to him, Horseferry Road magistrates heard yesterday.

His action led to a hunt taking 700 hours of police time, with a search of the Thames by frogmen and nationwide publicity.

Graham Ellis, aged 28, of Upper Blantyre Walk, World's End Estate, Chelsea, southwest London, pleaded guilty to wasting police time, and sentence was deferred for six months.

The court was told that his wife, Mrs Karen Ellis, had walked out.

In desperation Ellis took his daughter to the home of two friends and reported her missing to police.

Two days later he confessed his ploy to the friends.One of them, Lyn Thorogood, went to Selfridges store in central London and left the girl in the lost property office.

Miss Thorogood, aged 25, later dialled 999 and told police where they could find the missing child.

Ellis and Miss Thorogood's boyfriend, Graham Waite, aged 27, a painter, of Stanhope Gardens, Ilford, Essex, were arrested.

All three were charged with wasting police time.

Miss Thorogood, who denied the charge, agreed to be bound over in the sum of £100 for 12 months.

The case against Mr Waite was dismissed.

Car fault clue to lake death

By Stewart Tendler
Crime Reporter

Detectives are investigating the possibility that Shani Warren, who was found floating bound and gagged in a lake, was attacked after her car broke down.

Yesterday Thames Valley police said a couple driving near the lake in Buckinghamshire on Good Friday, when Miss Warren disappeared, have reported seeing a car similar to hers at a layby near the lake. A girl and three men were gathered around it.

Police mechanics have found a fault in the gearbox of Miss Warren's car which could have developed suddenly and seriously affected driving.

Miss Warren, aged 26, from Stoke Poges, is believed to have died after an attack was interrupted in some way and she was thrown into the lake.

● Kent detectives were yesterday trying to identify the body of a woman who was beaten, asphyxiated and dumped trussed at the edge of a field on a country road near Maidstone, Kent.

The woman, aged about 30, who was wearing a jacket over a night dress, was found at a place one mile from the M20.

'Phantom' actor has relapse

By Gavin Bell
Arts Correspondent

Michael Crawford, the actor, has suffered a setback in his illness as a result of resuming his performances in *Phantom of the Opera*, and has been ordered to rest completely for at least a week.

Crawford, aged 45, returned to the starring role for two performances on Wednesday, against medical advice, after his understudy suffered a knee injury in rehearsals.

His agent said yesterday that the strain had aggravated a hiatus hernia, a severe stomach disorder, from which he has been suffering for six weeks, when there had been signs of improvement.

"Michael has an inflamed oesophagus associated with the hernia, and potential complications if the condition is aggravated include haemorrhage and stricture. He has been advised the only cure is intensive medical therapy and enforced rest."

Crawford had not previously missed a performance of the musical, at Her Majesty's Theatre in London.

James Patterson, the second understudy, was taking the role of the Phantom for the first time last night.

'Lack of care' led to jail death

The death of a prisoner who was given tranquillizers when he complained of chest pains, was due to natural causes aggravated by lack of care, an inquest jury said yesterday.

After the hearing in Guildford, Surrey, Mrs Sylvia MacDonald, of Stepney, east London, the mother of the dead man said she was considering suing the Home Office.

Peter MacDonald, a former heroin addict aged 25, died from a rare heart condition while serving a two-and-a-half year sentence at Coldingley prison, Bisley, Surrey.

Mrs MacDonald said: "I think if Peter had not been in prison he would be alive today".

Couple died in drug embrace

Two young drug addicts died in each other's arms in their bedsit in Norwich, an inquest was told yesterday.

Verdicts of misadventure were recorded on Alan Jones, aged 21, and Caroline Partridge, his girl friend aged 18, of Northumberland Street, Norwich, who fell asleep on their bed from a mixture of methadone, barbiturates and beer.

BBC plans 'pay video' link

By Jonathan Miller, Media Correspondent

The BBC may launch a "while you sleep" subscription television service to deliver feature films to video recorders in the middle of the night.

Viewers who pay a fee to receive the films would be able to play them back at their own convenience.

The idea is expected to be discussed next week when Mr Michael Checkland, director-general, meets Mr David Mellor, the Home Office minister responsible for broadcasting.

The night subscription television service would be transmitted in code and only subscribers who buy or rent special equipment would be able to receive the programmes.

Home Office ministers are enthusiastic about launching a subscription television service and are considering authorizing it in a broadcasting Bill to be introduced early in the next Parliament.

If the corporation decides to go ahead with the scheme, it would be likely to seek a private contractor to operate it.

● The BBC said last night that it had made export sales and co-production arrangements worth more than £5 million by the third day of the international television fair in Cannes.

The orders included the sale of *EastEnders* and *Doctor Who* to Spain, where they will be dubbed into Catalan.

● At least four ITV companies are now making significant profits from Channel Four, industry sources said yesterday.

The companies, Thames, London Weekend, Anglia and TVS, were said to be making between £2 million and £4 million annually from their advertising sales for the channel.

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PARLIAMENT

Dublin beef angers MPs

The level of beef imports from the Irish Republic into the United Kingdom prompted calls in the Commons for further action to help British beef producers, especially through further adjustments to the green pound mechanism.

Mr John Gummer, Minister of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said that imports of beef from the republic last year totalled 122,000 tonnes, but the green rate change secured in December had eliminated the advantage the Irish had gained. In the first two months of 1987 imports were 15,656 tons.

Mr John Home Robertson, a Labour spokesman on agriculture, said that the only reason Irish beef fell below the 10,000 a month coming in at the end of 1986 was because the Irish had temporarily run out of cattle to send.

He asked if the minister would take urgent action either through further adjustment of the green pound or any other mechanism to protect British beef producers against unfair competition.

Mr Gummer said it was a traditional market for the Irish but he acknowledged that many British farmers felt aggrieved. It was partly also one of the inevitable effects of the beef variable premium that was paid on Irish beef in the UK. He assured MPs that the Government was very conscious in its negotiations of the particular needs of the beef industry.

Mr Albert McQuarrie (Banff and Buchan, C) said that beef imports from Ireland into the UK had increased by 48 per cent in 1986 over the previous year. The 6 per cent reduction in the green poand was certainly not adequate enough for beef producers in the UK.

Tenant farms 'declining'

The number of tenanted farms had declined by 5 per cent since the Conservatives came to office in 1979 because of the failure of Government legislation and the deplorable conduct of Tory-controlled local authorities and the Scottish Office, which had been disposing of smallholdings, Mr John Home Robertson, an Opposition spokesman on agriculture, said during Commons questions.

Labour's proposals for a land bank to make land available to tenant farmers offered the only prospect of letting more tenants into the industry. Mr Michael Jopling, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said he was sure that Mr Home Robertson would be sitting on the Opposition benches for a long time spending money over which he would never have control on various madcap schemes. Labour's agriculture policy would get just about as much support as it always had.

Question 'is offensive'

Conservative protests greeted a question about recent letter bomb incidents by Mr Enoch Powell (South Down, OUP) to the Prime Minister, which she said was offensive.

Mr Powell: Has she yet ascertained what message was intended to be conveyed to her by the recent spate of letter bombs?

Mrs Thatcher: Personally I am not certain what he intends, but I find his question rather offensive.

Helicopter in Stornoway

The Department of Transport is to provide a new search and rescue helicopter to be based at Stornoway in the Western Isles. Mr Michael Spicer, Under-Secretary of State for Transport, said in a written reply that the department had placed a contract with Bristow Helicopters Ltd for a Sikorsky S61N MkII, the civil equivalent of the military Westland Sea King. It was expected to be on station in early May.

Textiles are defended

Textiles had made a tremendous comeback and were making almost monthly improvements both in the amounts produced and in the excellent designs for clothing and furnishing, Mrs Margaret Thatcher said during Prime Minister's question time.

She told Mr Derek Fatchett (Leeds Central, Lab), who asked what she intended to do for the industry, that he was proposing a good deal of protectionism, which the Government rejected.

Debate denied

Mr John Biffen, Leader of the House, said that he could offer no prospect of an early debate on research and development. Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, had said during business questions that there was an urgent need for a debate on the Government's grossly inadequate policy on R & D and that there was a great deal of interest in the subject from MPs of all parties.

Ulster post

Dr Maurice Hayes, a Northern Ireland Civil Servant, is to become the province's Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, announced in a written reply. He succeeds Mr Hugh Kernohan and will take up his post in July.

Electorate to hear Tory proposals 'very soon'

PRIME MINISTER

The Prime Minister evoked loud Conservative cheers by telling MPs that the Government would "very soon" be putting its proposals to the electorate.

She said: "We shall very soon be putting to the electorate whether young people who neither stay on at school for education, nor in training, nor take a job, are entitled to receive supplementary benefit" (loud Labour protests).

Mrs Thatcher was replying to Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, who began the exchanges by asking: In view of the various studies undertaken under the auspices of the Government into systems of welfare benefit payment, is she opposed to any scheme which would make payment of full benefit to the unemployed or their families conditional on undertaking compulsory work or training?

A Conservative MP: Why not?

Mrs Thatcher: We have no proposals for compulsory work or training. There are countries with workfare schemes. They vary enormously from state to state in the United States. We have a community service programme which people can engage in.

At the moment we have no proposals for compulsory work – (loud Labour protests) – as a condition of benefit. We have already put through legislation which will change the future structure of welfare.

Mr Kinnock: There will be widespread concern at her use of the phrase "at the moment" (Labour cheers).

I pose the question again: Is she in favour of forced labour – (Conservative protests) – being required as a condition of payment or not? That is a very direct question which must have a very direct answer.

Mrs Thatcher: May I put this to him? (Labour protests). I am trying to answer in a reasonable and reasoned way. They are not used to that on Labour benches.

Young people of 16 to 18 can stay on at school. They can stay on in further education. They can have a youth education scheme or do a they can do a job.

We shall very soon be putting to the electorate whether young people who neither stay on at school in education, nor in training, nor take a job, are entitled to receive supplementary benefit (Conservative cheers).

Mr Kinnock: Can she explain to the House and the country why it is that, if a youngster is rich and indolent, tax concessions have to be offered to get them to work, but if they are poor and despondent, they have to be punished by compulsory schemes.

Mrs Thatcher: He is talking nonsense. These young people, of whom we are talking have either the chance of education or training in technical schools, or a youth training scheme, for which there is an allowance, or in many casees they can have jobs.

Striking teachers are attacked

The present pay arrangements for teachers were temporary and the Government was as anxious as teachers to reach agreement on a new salary negotiating procedure, Mrs Thatcher said during Prime Minister's question time. She added that agreement was difficult to reach.

Earlier she said that she was not surprised that teachers were leaving the National Union of Teachers and the National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers. The profession had not enhanced itself by its performances on television this week.

Mr Andrew MacKay (East Berkshire, C): Will she support Mr Kinnock in his plea to teachers to desist from strike action, but not for his very selfish reason of trying to preserve the Labour vote (Labour protests), but because it does great damage to pupils and to a great profession.

Mrs Thatcher: I have no sympathy with teachers who disrupt their children's education, and deliberately set out to damage their children's education prospects. Most want to be regarded as having high prestige and as a profession, but professional people do not set out to damage children.

Sir Anthony Grant (South West Cambridgeshire, C): Will she send a message of encouragement to teachers in my constituency and elsewhere who are not taking industrial action? The latest attitude of the appropriately named NUT is a classic case of willing to wound, but not to strike.

Mrs Thatcher: I agree. Most teachers do not go on strike and will not. They appreciate that they have an enormous increase in pay and that they have had a new salary structure granted to them. They wish to get on with the job of giving a good education to children, and they deserve our support.

Mr Michael Morris (Northampton South, C) quoted one teachers' union leader as saying that he hoped that pupils taking examinations would not be affected.

"Will she ensure that any teacher withdrawing labour from pupils taking examinations will be dismissed and a union which encourages them will be prosecuted" (Labour protests).

Mrs Thatcher said that teachers were paid not by the Government but by local education authorities.

Mrs Elaine Kellett-Bowman (Lancaster, C): Some teachers in my constituency have written to me enclosing ballot papers for the NUT/NAS ballot, complaining bitterly that the ballot is not secret, and that they have to return the forms with the names and addresses of the schools, in open envelopes, to their union representative. In those circumstances they feel that pressure is unfairly brought upon them.

Mrs Thatcher: She has a point. I agree. It is not surprising that many teachers are leaving both the NUT and the NAS/UWT.

Mr Martin Flannery (Sheffield, Hillsborough, Lab): One of the fundamental principles which divides democracy from dictatorship is the right of working people freely to negotiate with their employers without any pressure coming from the Government, such as destroying their negotiating power.

Now that she and the most hated minister of education there has ever been (Conservative laughter and protests) have totally disrupted our children's education and intend to go on disrupting it, will she order him to reinstitute free negotiating rights for teachers and then the children will all be back at school being educated.

Mrs Thatcher: The Burnham Committee has not been working for some time. It did not work during those negotiations. The teachers' unions could not agree what they should have, and because Burnham did not work, the minister took action.

Mr Michael Jopling: Support for a tough European farm price policy.

Jopling rejects change to EEC farming tax

AGRICULTURE

Changes to taxes on edible oils and fats proposed by the European Commission, among its proposals for changes in farm support prices and mechanisms, could not be approved as they stood, Mr Michael Jopling, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, told the Commons at the start of an agriculture debate.

He said that they rightly involved reductions in support but the Commission had chosen to link this with a proposal for a consumer tax, disguised under the title of an "edible oil price stabalization scheme".

"I am thoroughly opposed to this. It is not a proper part of common agricultural policy reform to provide extra funding through a tax on consumers, particularly the least prosperous consumers.

"Moreover, it would damage the Community's trading relations with a large number of countries, including some of the poorest ones.

"It would in particular be folly for the Community to provoke a new quarrel over agriculture with the United States so soon after settling the last."

Generally, the proposals of the Commission for changes for 1987-88, on which negotiations wood start in earnest on Monday in Luxembourg, were on the right track with certain important exceptions.

Four main themes ran through them. These were the continuation of a tough price policy, involving a freeze on the prices of most products and price cuts for others, further substantial moves to limit intervention buying, the extension of the concept of guarantee thresholds and changes in the complex "green pound".

In the light of major decisions taken in December, the Commission's price fixing proposals contained little new on milk and beef. But their proposal to end intervention for salted butter was one he would oppose.

It would make no sense if butter producers in the United Kingdom and Ireland had to make a different type of butter simply to put into intervention.

The Commission rightly picked on cereals as a sector calling for big changes. It had estimated that, without firm action, stocks could reach a disastrous 100 million tonnes by 1993.

On prices, the Commission proposed to cut the feed grain price by 2½ per cent. The package of measures was a tough one. It added up to an appreciable cut in effective support.

"I do not expect grain farmers particularly to welome it. But the cereals sector has to be tackled seriously and this is essentially the right way to do it."

The Commission had revived its proposal to limit payment of the annual ewe premium to 1,000 ewes a farm in the less favoured areas and 500 elsewhere. He had opposed that originally and would do so again this year.

In the green currency system, the question at issue was the common price level towards which divergent national prices should in principle be aligned. In 1984 it had been tied to the strongest currency and had in practice been dragged up by the rising strength of the Deutschmark.

To the extent that countries had taken advantage of that upward movement to raise their own national prices, that change had been inflationary and the Commission seemed to agree. Their idea to prevent inflation was to require offsetting reductions in common prices in the two years after each realignment of the European Monetrary System.

That proposal was on the right lines. The question was whether tye Commission might have gone further and proposed to abolish the link with the Deutschmark altogether.

The Commission had made some proposals for the devaluations of member states' green rates and for the green pound it had proposed a devaluation of 4 per cent. Given the situation in which the United Kingdom found itself, and the problems of the industry, particularly the beef sector, he would be making clear to the Commission that there would have to be an improvement on that figure.

"I shall certainly expect to secure a bigger change than France or the Republic of Ireland who have smaller monetary compensatary amounts than we have in this country."

The Commission's proposals were designed to respond to the Community's budgetary as well as to its market situation.

"The Commission estimate that their proposals taken altogether would save 1,300 million ecu in 1987 and 3,600 million ecu in 1988.

"But of course 500 million ecu this year and 2,100 million ecu next year would come from the proposed oils and fats tax. The savings have to be measured against the huge financial problem which currently faces the Community.

"The Commission estimate that, disregarding their proposals, the available resources fall short of what is needed to finance the CAP in 1987 by nearly 4,000 million ecu. It is therefore very important that the savings proposed by the Commission, other than those arising from the oils and fats tax, are secured.

"Indeed the Government believes it is essential that additional savings are found, either, during the price fixing itself or subsequently, to avoid major difficulties arising later this year.

"The 1987 budget must be balanced and there is no question of the Government's condoning a breach of the 1.4 per cent VAT ceiling" (cheers).

Finance Bill proposals will help to cut unemployment, Tory tells the House

Speakers in the Commons second reading debate on the Finance Bill, who were reported only in later editions of this newspaper yesterday, included the following:

Mr Terence Higgins (Worthing, C), chairman of the Treasury and Civil Service Select Committee, said that the Budget and the Finance Bill proposals for cutting taxation, particularly income tax, would help unemployment, especially when taken in conjunction with increased public spending and reduced borrowing.

The underlying trend of unemployment was much better than it had been. Real progress was being made and the Bill would create further improvement.

Mr Robert Sheldon (Ashton-under-Lyne, Lab), chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, condemned the Budget as a pre-election exercise. He said that it offered little long-term hope for manufacturing industry and nothing for the regions.

There was nothing in the Bill for the deprived, nor for ending divisions between rich and poor, North and South.

Mr Ian Wrigglesworth (Stockton South, SDP) said that there were three big defects in the Government's strategy. First, the demand that it had stimulated in the economy was being led much too much by consumer expenditure and that was leading to problems with the balance of payments and problems with inflation.

Second, unit labour costs were still increasing at a rate beyond those of its competitor countries. Third, little or nothing was being done to address the problems caused by the decline of the manufacturing base, which was the core of the economy upon which the service industries and wealth of the country depended.

The long-term interests of industry were being eaten away by the short-term interests of the Government in putting all its attention on a great pre-election budget boost.

Mr Michael Cocks (Bristol South, Lab) said that there had been little mention of tax administration.

He urged ministers to study two articles on unfairnesses in the taxation system by David Sapsted in *The Times* on March 9 and 10. The first started by saying that, while millions of people paid too much tax, the chances of successfully challenging the Inland Revenue were diminishing in an era in which tax inspectors were getting tougher. It said means were used by the inspectors which would be described as extortion if used by any other group or company.

The second article said that taking on the tax inspectors would involve time, cash and much courage and, even if the individual won, the candle was often not worth the light.

Any error in a tax return, irrespective of how it occured, constituted negligence, but there was no corresponding provision on the part of the revenue. The system even favoured the Inland Revenue where there was delay in dealing with papers in the revenue offices, because it still profited in terms of interest and penalties.

The public felt that in tackling the Inland Revenue they were taking on a gargantuan machine with enormous resources. It was time to wipe the slate clean and produce a fairer balance.

Dr Ooosagh McDonald, an Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs, said that the Government had decided that the unemployed did not matter, they were invisible and their votes would not count in the election.

Mr Norman Lamont, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, said that Opposition allegations that the Government planned VAT increases in order to fund direct tax cuts were purely fanciful.

These scare stories showed how desperate the Opposition was.

"The Labour Party is desperate to put up a smokescreen to hide the fact that we are the party of low tax and they are the party of higher tax."

The Bill was read a second time by 267 votes to 171 – Government majority, 96.

Parliament next week

The main business in the House of Commons next week will be:

Monday: Consumer Protection Bill and Parliamentary and Other Pensions Bill, second readings.

Tuesday: Debates on Opposition motions on housing and on the proposed privatization of Rolls-Royce.

Wednesday and Thursday: Finance Bill, committee.

Friday: Private members' Bills: Companies Bill and Companies (Audit Committees) Bill, second readings.

The main business in the House of Lords will be:

Monday: Banking Bill, third reading. Criminal Justice Bill, second reading.

Tuesday: Abolition of Domestic Rates Etc (Scotland) Bill, report, first day.

Wednesday: Debate on Green Paper *Trade Unions and their Powers*. Aids (Control) Bill, second reading.

Thursday: Abolition of Domestic Rates Etc (Scotland) Bill, report, second day.

Parliament today

Commons (9.30): Private members' Bills: Protection of Animals (Penalties) Bill, Motor Cycle Noise Bill, Crown Proceedings (Armed Forces) Bill and Access to Personal Files Bill, report stages.

Tactical voting dispute

Labour MP upsets party in poll call

By Robin Oakley, Political Editor

Labour leaders last night were dismissing a further flurry of speculation about tactical voting, after a call from Mr Frank Field, Labour MP for Birkenhead, for Labour supporters to back the SDP/Liberal Alliance in areas where it was the main challenger to the Conservatives in an attempt to get Mrs Thatcher out.

His appeal came in the wake of a similar call from Professor Eric Hobsbawm, the Marxist historian, who said that the defeat of the Thatcher Government was the essential task in British politics and should have precedence over every other political calculation.

The theory behind the call is that at the 1983 election Mrs Thatcher increased her majority by more than 100 despite a small drop in the Conservative share of the vote because the opposition to the Conservatives was almost evenly split.

Just 42 per cent of voters managed to give the Conservatives 61 per cent of the seats in Parliament, and poll figures indicate that the next election could produce a similar result.

Tactical-voting talk is a measure of the despair seeping through the Labour ranks. Inevitably Mr Field's call was sharply criticized, with Mr Bryan Gould, Labour's campaigns co-ordinator saying that few shared his views.

Mr Andrew Davies, a former chairman of Mr Field's constituency, called him "totally misguided", saying that it would signal to Labour voters in the South and Midlands that Labour did not think it had a chance of becoming a majority government.

Mr Gould insisted that public opinion was volatile and that Labour was capable yet of increasing its support sufficiently during an election campaign to win an outright victory.

For all the talk, tactical voting pacts are unlikely.

It excites attention because it has worked in parliamentary by-elections. Parties perceived to be third now regularly find their vote squeezed as people switch their votes in an attempt to defeat the candidate of the party they like the least.

At Ryedale, Labour supporters voted Liberal to get out the Tory. At Greenwich Tories voted SDP to stop a left-wing Labour candidate. But there are much greater difficulties about tactical voting at a general election.

First, no party likes to admit that it could be beaten. In some seats the party in third place last time could now be running second.

In many seats there will be a three-way contest, which would preclude any national deal between Labour and the Alliance for the one with the least hope of defeating the Conservative to step down. Nor would Labour or the Alliance want to lose credibility by reducing their total national vote.

Labour would have little reason to enter such a pact when studies have shown that the Alliance would be likely to pick up more former Labour supporters than vice versa. Mr Kinnock has already said in interviews that Labour supporters thinking of voting tactically should "grow up".

But there would be snags, too, for the Alliance. Neither Dr Owen nor Mr Steel has endorsed any call for tactical voting. Dr Owen has said that if the Alliance were to look like letting Labour into Downing Street through the back door then they might lose much of their support.

There is the further complication that the Alliance has not said what partner it would choose to support in coalition in a hung Parliament. If Labour supporters were to help to vote in an Alliance MP they could not be certain that the Alliance would not at the end of the day go into coalition with the Conservatives.

A recent study reported in *The Times* has shown anyway that tactical voting in the 266 seats where the Alliance ran second to the Conservatives last time would not make as much difference to any election result as some expect. In three quarters of such seats the Conservatives had an overall majority.

But there is one crucial difference between tactical voting possibilities in by-elections and in general elections.

In by-elections there is full media exposure of the possibilities and intensive opinion polling. In a general election many people will not know whether or not theirs is a marginal constituency or whether Labour or the Alliance are in second place.

A recent MORI poll in 73 Conservative-held marginals showed only 40 per cent of Labour supporters and 36 per cent of Alliance supporters in Conservative/Labour marginals aware that they lived in a marginal. In seats where the Alliance was runner-up last time, only 40 per cent of Alliance supporters knew that they lived in a marginal and 37 per cent of Labour supporters were aware that they did.

With the aim of closing the information gap about the possibilities of tactical voting a new campaigning group, TV '87, was set up recently with the aim of publicizing the possibilities for tactical voting to get the Conservatives out in 100 target seats.

But electoral law became a problem. The rules say that anything which promotes any candidate or suggests a vote for any candidate incurring expenditure has to get the candidate's agent's permission in writing. Then, of course, the expenses incurred are counted against the candidate's expenses.

It looks as though we will go on for some years yet with the anti-Conservative forces circling around the ring, neither of them prepared to admit that they cannot knock the other fellow out.

COMMENTARY

Geoffrey Smith

Ever since Reykjavik the Western European Union has come to have a larger place in the thinking of the member governments – Britain, West Germany, Italy, France and the Benelux countries.

This is a natural response to the fear that the superpowers might do a deal on arms control that failed to take full account of European interests.

The tendency has been stengthened by the Shultz-Shevardnadze talks and it would be taken still further if Britain and France were to feel that the disarmament process was bringing increasing pressure on their independent national deterrents. Already the defence dialogue between the British and French governments has become noticeably warmer.

So we shall probably have to become accustomed to meetings of WEU ministers having greater international importance than ever before. A short while ago it looked as if next Monday's meeting in Luxembourg might be particularly significant.

The British and German governments are keen to streamline the organization – which has its headquarters in London and its assembly, with various agencies, in Paris – and to move the lot to Brussels.

This would be designed to be much more than an exercise in bureaucratic tinkering. The critical question for WEU is whether it can operate as a forum for considering specifically European security concerns without at the same time being a disruptive force within Nato. The chances of its being a constructive influence would, it is thought, be greater if it was working alongside Nato headquarters in Brussels.

All the opportunities there would then be for informal contact would, so it is hoped, minimize the danger of the two organizations going off in different directions and the Americans feeling that they were being excluded from a European caucus in Nato. Everybody would be influencing each other as policy positions were being prepared.

Whether it would actually work like that is a moot point. The critical distinction, it seems to me, is between using WEU simply as a forum for European co-operation and discussion and using it to establish a common European position before an issue was considered in Nato.

The second approach would tend to create unnecessary divisions between Europeans and the Americans, and to make Nato proceedings more confrontational than they need be. It is a matter of purpose even more than of geography.

But the very reason why the British and Germans favour the change in WEU arrangements is unappealing to the French. Having formally left Nato's military structure, they do not want to find themselves sucked in again informally. Nor do they like the idea of the agencies and the assembly being taken away from Paris.

So while streamlining will no doubt be discussed informally, no decision will be taken next week. Nor is one expected this year on enlargement, even though some interest has been indicated by Spain, Portugal, Greece and Turkey.

Next week the ministers are expected to endorse the zero-zero proposal for medium-range missiles and the goal of 50 per cent reductions in strategic weapons, without saying anything specific about the shorter-range missiles.

But the most important move for future may be one that will look of little consequence next week. It is planned that the ministers should commission a statement for their autumn meeting on security guidelines for Western Europe.

That might seem totally inocuous. But, one way or the other, the exercise should be revealing. Is even the present limited membership of WEU capable of agreeing on a charter for European security that would be more than a bland recapitulation of the obvious?

If it is, will such a statement be compatible with thinking in Nato as a whole? Or shall we find, if anything of substance is set down, that the differences on Western defence between the United States and its European allies now go deeper than tactical disagreements on how best to negotiate with the Soviet Union?

Wingfield Castle in Suffolk, one of two "older style" properties now being offered for sale as family residences.

For sale: two well-protected homes

The rare opportunity to own a medieval castle, complete with moat and habitable as a family home, has arisen twice with the arrival on the market of castles in Suffolk and West Sussex.

Wingfield Castle at Eye, once the home of the Earls and Dukes of Suffolk, is a fourteenth century castle and Tudor manor house surrounded by a moat and standing in about 10 acres of grounds.

It is being sold by Gerard Fairhurst, the businessman who has renovated and restored it during the past four years, who is seeking offers of more than £500,000.

Amberley Castle, near Arundel, is another Grade I listed building dating largely from the fourteenth century, when the Bishop of Chichester was given permission to fortify the earlier stone manor house.

The castle, in 11 acres, is protected with a moat and a portcullis which is now electrically operated, one of the results of restoration by the present owners.

A family home has been established in the west wing of the castle, for which the asking price is above £750,000.

US-style electronic tagging

Life under curfew for offenders opposed by reform groups

By Our Home Affairs Correspondent

MPs' recommendations that the Government study the use of American-style electronic tagging, used to check offenders held in the community are staying within bounds, were described as "zany and irrelevant" by the Howard League last night.

Chief probation officers are also against tagging, which Lord Caithness, Minister of State at the Home Office responsible for prisons, is to examine when he visits the United States soon.

The US device is seen as a way of reducing pressure on prisons by allowing more offenders to be supervised outside.

The recommendation is made by members of the Commons Home Affairs Committee.

They went to the US for their report on the state and use of prisons, which was published yesterday. It raised immediate controversy.

Mr Colin Edwards, chairman of the Chief Probation Officers' Association, said society had found the idea of impersonal "big brother" surveillance repellant.

There were better and proven ways of keeping people from crime and influencing them for good.

The National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders said it was regrettable that the committee should entertain such a negative and stigmatizing notion.

But prison governors do not rule out tagging. Mr Terry Bone, chairman of their branch of the Society of Civil and Public Servants, says an experiment should be considered, but public opinion needed to be tested

Mr John Wheeler, Conservative MP for Westminster North and a member of the committee, said at a press conference yesterday that the advantages of the technology were that it enabled the individual to enjoy a normal life with the family, to work and to participate in society as a whole and yet be accountable because of anti-social behaviour.

Offenders could live in their home under what might be called a curfew order. It provided the public with the protection they sought and was cost-effective. For those reasons it was attractive. "I believe it should be urgently investigated", Mr Wheeler said.

The Offenders' Tag Association in Britain, which includes among its leading members the Rev Peter Timms, formerly a prison governor, and its founder, Mr Tom Stacey, a prison visitor, novelist and publisher, says that under the proposals it would be the offender's voluntary option to choose the tag instead of prison.

The court would oblige the tag wearer to confine his movements to a given number of cellular radio cells, covering, say, his home and his place of work and the space between.

The tag would transmit silently a coded signal to the nearest cellular radio base station, which in turn would send the signal by land line to a central computerized monitor.

Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, said that he was quite prepared to accept the committee's recommendation that the Home Office study the American experience.

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"High-rise" prisons on American lines should be considered by the Home Office in planning new local jails and remand centres near city centres and courts, the MPs said.

When members visited the US they saw three in New York city. One was connected to the courts by a tunnel. "There would seem to be considerable advantages in this type of building in urban locations, both as regards perimeter security and space taken up", the report said.

The new prison to be built at Doncaster, South Yorkshire, was likely to be on four storeys and those under construction at Woolwich, east London, and Milton Keynes were close to city centres.

Directors 'shun computers'

By Robert Matthews

More than half the directors of Britain's top 100 companies do not trust the information coming out of their computer departments, but are afraid of using computers themselves, according to a survey for the Institute of Directors and the software company Lotus Developments (UK).

The results, disclosed yesterday as part of the institute's "Reskilling Britain" campaign, showed that a third of those questioned believed directors are too old and set in their ways to get involved in personal computers.

Fifty per cent of directors believe that working at a keyboard is simply beneath them.

Others said that they had lost what little confidence they did have in their ability with computers by being beaten at computer games by their children.

The institute says that the answer to the attitude problem is to appoint information technology managers to the board of a company.

Only 3 per cent of companies surveyed had board level involvement of such experts, the survey found.

"Data processing professionals do not apparently have sufficient confidence to make approaches to directors on the use of technology and its potential benefits within the latters' offices", it concludes.

The institute yesterday joined forces with Lotus to announce "The Business Challenge 1987".

Teams of businessmen are being asked to use personal computer software to maximize the profits of a fictitious British company which is sliding into grave financial trouble.

Mr Ken Gorrod, the management consultant who developed the game, says that the firm had been given many of the typical problems that could be tackled by exploiting computers, such as stock and debt control.

On offer are £3,000-worth of Lotus software and a trophy, but the organizers believe learning what business computers can do will be the real gain.

The survey showed many directors think computers capable only of glorified number-crunching.

They support their technophobia by claiming computers are not relevant to their jobs.

Food to get 'health' labels

By Jill Sherman
Social Services Correspondent

A scheme to introduce voluntary nutritional labelling on foods sold in this country is expected to be announced in the next few weeks.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food said yesterday that ministers would shortly disclose details of the scheme which has had widespread support from the food industry.

The arrangement would mean that companies opting into the scheme state the amount of fat, carbohydrates, protein and energy on the packs of food products using a specified formula so consumers can compare information.

Although the scheme is voluntary it is likely to need statutory backing so that all companies opting in are compelled to provide the same type of information.

At the moment several companies have food labelling but there is no consistency in the information provided.

The voluntary nutritional labelling scheme was originally put out to consultation at the same time as separate measures calling for compulsory labelling of fat content.

The second proposal, recommended in an official report on heart disease in 1984, is now the subject of negotiations between the ministry and the EEC.

A scheme for voluntary nutritional labelling will be introduced in Denmark at the beginning of next year.

A similar scheme is being considered by The Netherlands.

BBC transmits killer's plea

A convicted killer serving a seven-year sentence has made a plea for sympathy in a telephone call to the BBC.

Hywel Rowlands, a former drug-company salesman, is detained at the Whitchurch psychiatric hospital in Cardiff for the manslaughter of his daughter, Ffion, aged six. He drugged the child and threw her off the Severn Bridge three years ago.

Rowlands yesterday urged the Home Office to move him from the hospital, which is close to his former home.

The telephone call, the second he has been able to make from the hospital in a year, was broadcast on BBC Radio Wales. Rowlands, aged 37, made a plea for more understanding.

BBC Wales said Rowlands had telephoned on Wednesday morning from a coin box. A reporter returned his call and recorded an interview. Discussions had then taken place at senior level before it was broadcast.

But Mr Gwilym Jones, the Conservative MP for Cardiff North, said: "I am amazed that he has access to a phone in this way. Many of my constituents will be very shocked at the freedom someone who is serving a manslaughter sentence appears to have."

Mr Jones, who is seeking a Commons adjournment debate on the issue, said he had understood that Rowlands would not have such easy access to a telephone after complaints that he had made at least one menacing call to his former wife, Lynette.

At the trial, Mr Justice Davies said that Rowlands would pose a real threat to his wife for a substantial period of time.

Cardiff Crown Court was told that Rowlands killed their only daughter because he believed she had no future in an evil world.

Mr Jones has been campaigning to have him transferred from the Whitchurch hospital since hearing allegations that he was allowed to roam freely in the hospital grounds.

He said it was intolerable that no action had been taken after assurances from Mr Mark Robinson, Under Secretary of State at the Welsh Office, that Rowlands would be moved.

The Welsh Office said it was waiting for the Home Office to make a decision on the Rowlands case.

Fish supplies are back to normal

Fish supplies are getting back to normal after Easter and many varieties are slightly cheaper.

The average price of cod is down 2p to £1.92 a lb, with a range of £1.30-£2.40 a lb. Haddock is unchanged between £1.20 and £2.70 a lb, as is whiting, averaging £1.50.

Plaice, whiting, ling, and monkfish are recommended. Small whole farmed salmon are good value at about £2.90 a lb, and cutlets from larger fish are about £4.50 a lb.

The fine weather will see the emergence of the barbecue: firm fleshed fish are best. Species to look out for are grouper and warhoe, at about £3 a lb.

Black sea bream at about £2.30 a lb is available, but it has a short season. There are good supplies of sea trout at £3.75 a lb, brill £2.75, monkfish, £3.50, and huss around £1.95 a lb.

Fresh mussels are not at their best, but Normandy oysters are good value at around 50p each, and scallops are plentiful at 65p each.

There is a marvellous selection of apples from 40-55p a lb. Coxes from New Zealand are crisp, sweet and juicy; probably not as good as the English variety at its best, they are superior to the selection available from store.

Citrus fruits include grapefruit, 10-25p each, lemons, 8-20p, oranges, 8-22p each. kumquats, £1.50-1.80 a lb, Jaffa tangors, and topaz, 40-50p a lb are near the end of their season. Strawberries are excellent value from 50p a half-pound punnet, and there are lovely pineapples from Africa from 70p-£2.50 each.

Cucumbers at 40-70p each, and spring onions 20-30p a bunch, are good salad buys, and the English and Dutch hothouse tomatoes at 50-90p a lb are more reliable than those from the Canary Islands.

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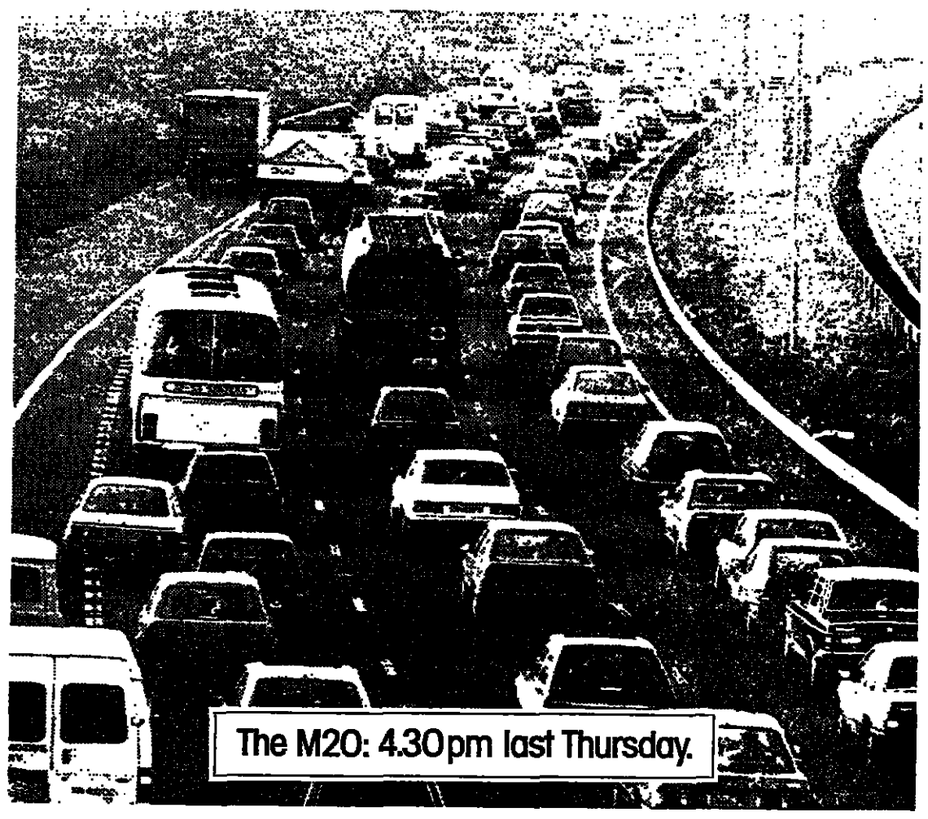

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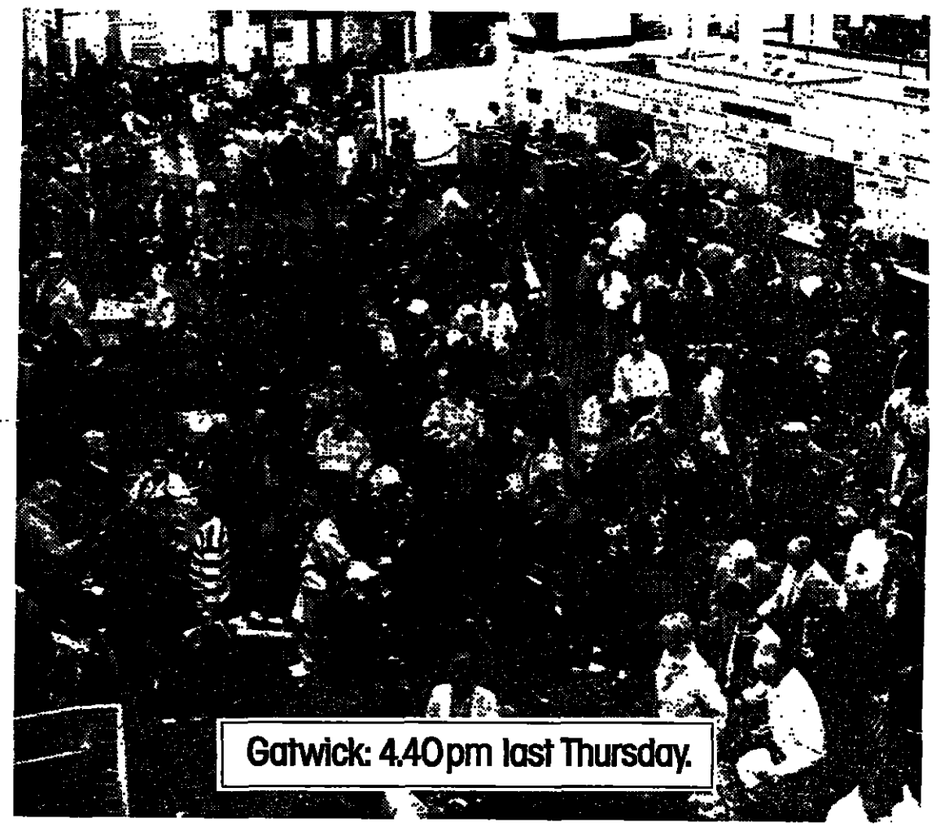

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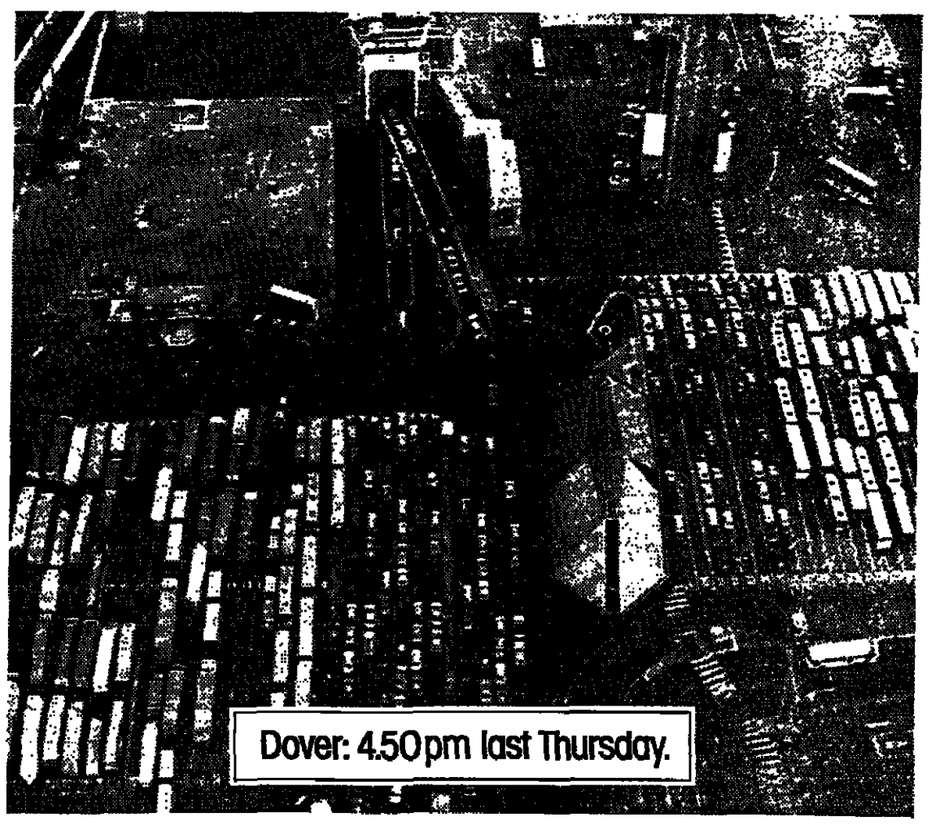

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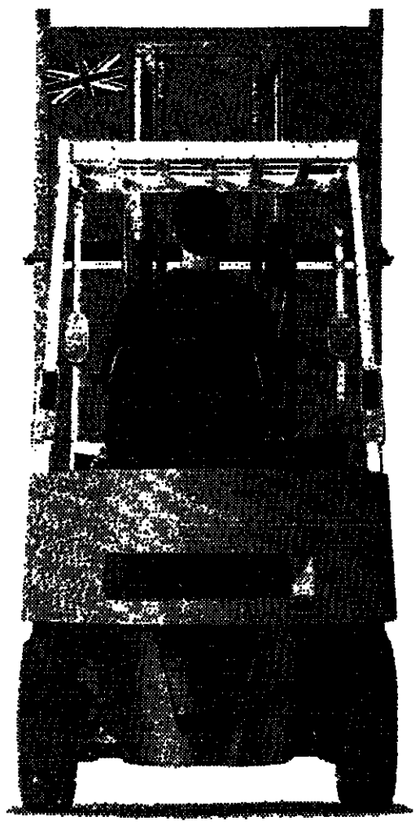

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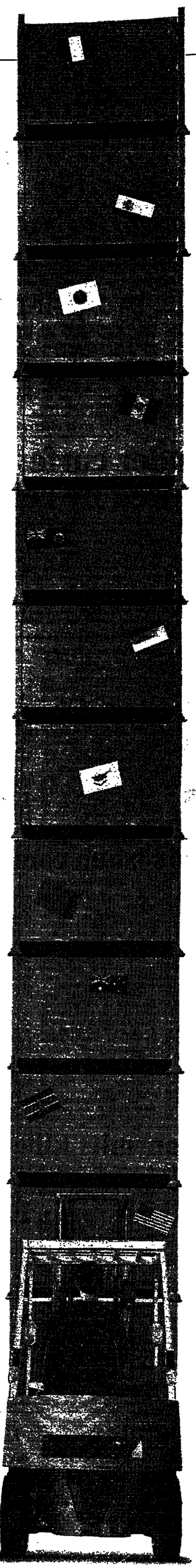

WORLD SUMMARY

Islamic militants riot in Tunisia

Tunis (Reuter) – Foreigners were molested and police cars set on fire during anti-government demonstrations in central Tunis which began on Wednesday night. Demonstators, apparently Islamic militants, chanted slogans against President Habib Bourguiba, aged 83, who was on a tour of the south of the country. Several policemen were injured by stones and iron bars.

Since the 1979 Iranian revolution the Tunisian Government has been alternately tough and tolerant towards Islamic militancy at home. The independent Arabic-language weekly, *Ar-Rai*, this month published a list of 45 people it said had been arrested in recent weeks.

Tunisia was rocked by riots in January 1984, when nearly 100 people were killed in a bloody nationwide protest against the doubling overnight of the price of bread.

Atrocities detailed

Zagreb (Reuter) – Mr Dobroslav Paraga, the Yugoslav dissident, yesterday described to a Yugoslav court atrocities he witnessed during the four years he spent in jails for his human rights activities.

Mr Paraga, aged 26, told how prison inmates suffered the effects of food poisoning and were attacked by lunatics, epileptics, and drug addicts. It was the second day of his trial on charges of slandering the state. He said mentally disturbed inmates ate their own flesh and drug addicts bribed guards to get drugs. "One prisoner drank his own blood from a yoghurt cup after cutting himself badly with a razor."

The state has accused him of spreading false information. The heavily guarded trial is expected to end today.

Libyans expelled

Nairobi (Reuter) – Kenya ordered five Libyan diplomats to leave the country within 14 days for engaging in activities incompatible with their status.

The five include Mr Wanis Ali Mesellaty, the Chargé d'Affaires, named in Nairobi courts as the man who recruited four young Kenyans to provide Libya with political information.

The others were not named and it was unclear how many Libyans would remain at the Nairobi embassy. The latest list names six Libyan diplomats but sources said the embassy had 12 officials.

Court defeat

Washington – The Supreme Court has dealt a crushing defeat to opponents of capital punishment by ruling that State death penalty laws may not be attacked as unconstitutional even though statistics indicate that they may be applied in racially biased ways (Mohsin Ali writes).

By a 5-4 vote, the Justices upheld Georgia's death penalty law in a test case, after considering the statistics showing that killers of white victims draw death sentences far more frequently than killers of black victims. Nearly 1,900 people are on Death Row in the US.

Actress warns Japan

Tokyo (Reuter) – The actress Elizabeth Taylor, right, a fervent campaigner in the search for a cure for Aids, yesterday confronted the Japanese people with the danger they face from the disease.

"Eradication of Aids is the most acute problem to which we must find a solution," she told reporters.

Miss Taylor, chairman of the American Foundation for Aids Research, is on a four-day visit to Japan.

A Ministry of Health spokesman said Japan has had 38 confirmed Aids cases, 25 of whom have died.

Ordeal at sea

Honiara, Solomon Islands (Reuter) – Two Papua New Guineans have been found alive floating on sheets of polystyrene after a two-month ordeal at sea during which they lost 70 per cent of their bodyweight. Five companions died.

The men were suffering badly from exposure, dehydration and starvation when they were rescued yesterday but are expected to survive. They were forced to abandon their boat when it broke up in rough seas. They had since lived on a diet of raw fish and rainwater.

8 held in Harare

Harare – The Zimbabwe Government has for the last 12 days been holding eight young white South African men in circumstances that lead observers to believe they are suspected of being South African security agents (Jan Raath writes).

A spokesman for the South African Trade Mission here said yesterday that he was "satisfied they were bona fide tourists". He said the mission had been in touch with Zimbabwean authorities over the affair but had received no reasons for their arrest.

Colombo monks demand President's resignation

Buddhist monks, demanding the resignation of President Jayawardene of Sri Lanka after this week's bombing in Colombo which claimed 106 lives, are moved along by riot police after a brief demonstration in the city yesterday.

Setback for space weapons project

Top scientists cast doubts on Star Wars feasibility

From Christopher Thomas
Washington

America's leading physicists yesterday directly challenged President Reagan's timetable for putting futuristic defensive weapons into space, saying it would take at least a decade of additional research just to determine whether the whole Star Wars idea is feasible.

The American Physical Society said that in many cases scientists did not even know whether some proposed weapons were based on sound physical principles.

It said that significant gaps remained in the scientific and engineering understanding of many issues associated with the development of directed-energy weapons, including lasers and particle beams, being considered for deployment under the President's Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI).

The pessimistic assessment by the Society, the principal organization of US physicists, amounts to an outright rejection of the Administration's claims that sufficient information will be produced by SDI research to decide on the development of key missile defence technologies by the early 1990s.

The report could not have come at a worse time for President Reagan. Many members of Congress are already highly sceptical about the concept of Star Wars, particularly at a time of severe cuts in social programmes.

The House of Representatives has cut Mr Reagan's 1988 SDI budget request from $5.2 billion (£3.2 billion) to $3.5 billion. The Senate will soon consider the request and is also bound to cut it. The two chambers will then discuss an agreed figure.

Earlier this week the Pentagon claimed that repeated congressional cuts in the SDI budget since the programme began in 1984 have already pushed some parts of the research timetable back at least two years.

The Strategic Defence Initiative Organization, the Pentagon body that administers the programme, said the projections of the American Physical Society were unduly pessimistic.

Although the Society did not flatly say that President Reagan's goal was impossible, it cited formidable technical obstacles that must be overcome to produce useful weapons and said it was highly questionable whether a Star Wars system based in space could survive an attack on it.

The report said that the most crucial elements required for a directed-energy weapons system, the cornerstone of possible space weapons, "need improvements of several orders of magnitude". It raised the possibility that Soviet countermeasures to US space defences may be "less difficult and costly to develop".

Despite the gloomy report and concerns about technical feasibility and superpower arms control restrictions, ardent White House supporters of the programme are pressing for an early decision on development of the first portions of a missile defence. Congress, however, appears determined to prevent such a move.

Reagan hopeful over Geneva meeting

From Mohsin Ali, Washington

President Reagan, in a special statement marking the resumption of the Geneva intermediate-range nuclear forces (INF) talks, yesterday said that prospects for an INF agreement have moved forward and that he was "hopeful but also realistic".

He said there were a number of issues, including verification, that would demand considerable hard bargaining. "But working closely with our allies in Europe and Asia, we are ready to do our part, and hope that the Soviets are returning to the table with similar resolve."

Mr Reagan said it was American and allied determination to "maintain our security, which I continue to view as indivisible, that has given us this opportunity to achieve an historic agreement which, for the first time, would actually reduce nuclear weapons."

● GENEVA: Both the Americans and Russians said they would put forward new proposals during the current round of talks on eliminating medium-range missiles from Europe (AP reports).

The US negotiator, Mr Maynard Glitman, said his delegation would propose "some additional protocols during this round . . . on verification points." He did not elaborate.

The Soviet deputy chief negotiator, Mr Alexie Obukhov, told reporters that the Russians planned to submit a draft treaty during this round of talks, but he did not say when.

The Soviet proposal is expected to embody new initiatives made by Mr Gorbachov on shorter-range missiles, which have apparently become a sticking point in the talks.

The second American nuclear weapon to be exploded in less than a week was detonated on Wednesday deep beneath the surface of the Nevada test site (Our Foreign Staff writes). And in Stockholm, a Swedish seismic laboratory has recorded two underground nuclear explosions in the Soviet Union last Sunday.

Details of the two-hour session were not released by either side, in keeping with the usual pattern of secrecy. It was not announced whether the two sides would meet again today.

● Shultz assurance: As the negotiators reconvened in Geneva, Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, went out of his way to reassure West Europeans that their security was not in jeopardy (Mary Devevsky writes).

Answering questions from European journalists over the Worldnet satellite link, Mr Shultz said it was hard to see how Soviet proposals for the elimination of both intermediate-range and shorter-range missiles from Europe would weaken the West militarily.

The policy of nuclear deterrence would not be undermined and the Nato policy of flexible response would continue.

15 generals go in Argentina Army changes

From Eduardo Cué, Buenos Aires

Brigadier-General José Dante Caridi was sworn in as the Argentine Army Chief of Staff yesterday, formally bringing to an end a broad restructuring of the military, designed to re-establish the chain of command following last weekend's rebellion.

Fifteen of the Army's 35 generals have been removed from active duty, the majority of them with combat troops under their direct command. The retirements are seen here as an indication of the widespread loss of discipline within the Army during the four-day crisis.

The re-organization, carried out under the direct supervision of President Alfonsin, included the appointments of new commanders for each of the four Army corps. The reshuffle included the retirement of all officers who lost even partial control of their men during the military emergency.

Among those retired was General Ernesto Arturo Alais, the commander of the Second Army Corps, who had been ordered to regain control of the Campo de Mayo, where more than 100 rebellious officers staged the insurrection. Although General Alais remained loyal to the Government, it is now clear that his men refused his orders to attack the base.

General Antonio Fichera, the former commander of the Third Army Corps, whose area of responsibility included the 19th Airborne Infantry Division based near Córdoba, where the rebellion began last Thursday, was also replaced.

President Alfonsin insisted on naming General Caridi as the new Army Chief of Staff as a clear sign that his choice had not been dictated by the rebel soldiers, and in an effort to maintain the concept of vertical command in the Army.

General Caridi comes to his new post at the most difficult time for the Argentine military since their defeat in the Falklands war. His appointment has been strongly opposed by important elements within the officer corps, who see him as one of those responsible for the military's inability to contain the human rights trials that led to the current crisis.

"The rebels wanted to establish a horizontal system of command which would have left the hierarchy without any power," said the deputy to the Defence Minister, Señor Alfredo Mosso, in a newspaper interview published yesterday. "I would define the events of last weekend as a technical coup d'état that attempted to remove all substance and strength from the top commanders."

In another development the Argentine Supreme Court ordered the country's Federal Appeals Courts on Wednesday to submit a full report on the status of human rights cases in their jurisdictions within 10 days.

The order is expected to halt temporarily any further trials of military officers until the Supreme Court can rule on the concept of "due obedience", a ruling that the Government is hoping will lead to a reduction in the number of human rights trials. At stake is the extent to which middle- and lower-ranking police and military officers can be held responsible for illegal acts carried out during the war against terrorism under orders from their superiors.

It seems clear that the events of last weekend will lead to a limit being placed on the trials involving more than 200 officers, thereby partially satisfying one of the key demands of the rebels. The Government insists that there were no negotiations with the mutinous officers and on Wednesday the Defence Minister, Señor Horacio Jaunarena, again reiterated that the Government was not considering an amnesty law.

In his newspaper interview, Señor Mosso admitted that the demands of the rebels, now officially estimated to have numbered between 100 and 120 men, had touched a sensitive chord within the armed forces.

American leaders for 'drug summit'

From Geoffrey Matthews, Bogotá

President Reagan is to take part in a summit conference of Latin American presidents later this year to discuss his campaign against the international drug trade, it was announced here yesterday.

Although neither the date nor the venue were announced, it is thought that the summit is most likely to be held in Bogotá, with President Barco of Colombiaacting as host.

Colombia, centre of the South American drug trade, is the source of 80 per cent of the cocaine and 40 per cent of the marajuana entering the United States, according to the US Drug Enforcement Agency, as well as the increasingly large shipments of cocaine reaching Europe.

The "drug summit" was announced in telexed messages to the Presidential Palace and the US Embassy here by two US Senators who recently visited Colombia to discuss the drug problem with local officials, and who later reported to President Reagan.

Although the drug trade is the main motive for the meeting, participants will also discuss other topics including Latin America's foreign debt and economic development.

Apart from Colombia, the other principle countries involved in the cocaine trade are Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador and, increasingly, Brazil, where the coca plant is cultivated on a large scale. Coca base is ferried into Colombia where it is then refined into pure cocaine in laboratories.

But the drug trade affects virtually all Latin American countries in some way or another, whether by smuggling or in the "washing" of drug money.

Latin-American presidents are likely to tell Mr Reagan that the drug trade fuels corruption and violence in their countries, with mounting evidence in Colombia and Peru, in particular, that drug racketeers finance and run arms to guerrilla groups.

Honecker dismisses Soviet-style reforms in 'no change' speech

East Berlin (Reuter) – Herr Erich Honecker, the East German leader, dashed any ideas of Soviet-style reforms yesterday, laying out an orthodox political and economic line for the future of Moscow's key frontline ally.

The East German leader delivered his "no-change" message to a congress of the country's trade unions just two weeks after the Czechoslovakian leader, Mr Gustav Husak, told a similar meeting in Prague that he viewed Soviet reforms as a model.

Herr Honecker aged 74, devoted much of his 70-minute speech to listing the country's economic successes since he took over leadership of the Communist Party 15 years ago.

"We want to continue this course with further success . . . The GDR (East Germany) has an efficiently-functioning system of economic and social planning," he said. He added that the last one-and-a-half decades had seen far-reaching changes.

His comments were clearly aimed at dampening any speculation that the reforms of Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, could lead to changes here.

Herr Honecker indicated he considered that economic reforms started by Mr Gorbachov had already been carried out here. Democratic and open discussion, he said, were already a reality in party and trade union life.

The Prague and East German leaderships, which both had close ties with Mr Gorbachov's predecessor, Mr Leonid Brezhnev, have appeared reluctant to follow Moscow's political reforms.

But early this month Mr Husak gave tentative approval to Kremlin changes as a model for his own country, whose industrial production has flagged badly in recent years. East Germany, expecting a visit by Mr Gorbachov next month, ranks as the strongest Soviet Bloc economy.

Herr Honecker's speech to 3,000 trade union delegates dwelt on rises in the standard of living, progress in developing high technology and reforms in industrial investment planned for the beginning of next year. There was no criticism of areas of the economy, such as the crucial chemicals industry, where last year's output dropped well short of planning.

Herr Honecker called on West Germany to press for the removal of nuclear weapons, especially medium-range missiles from Europe. The removal of US Pershing 2 and cruise missiles would allow Moscow to get rid of new short-range weapons based in East Germany, he said.

Tass reports dissident's departure

Moscow (AP) – Tass announced yesterday that Mr Anatoly Koryagin, the dissident, has been granted permission to emigrate to Switzerland.

The brief announcement on the Russian and English language services was believed to be the first such report by Soviet media regarding the departure of a dissident.

Mr Koryagin, aged 48, a psychiatrist, was released from a labour camp in February after being pardoned by the Supreme Soviet, the national parliament, in a review of dissident cases.

He had been sentenced to seven years in prison and five years in exile in 1981 on charges of anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda.

The Frankfurt-based International Association for Human Rights reported on Tuesday that Mr Koryagin and his family had received permission to emigrate and would be flying to Switzerland

Tass said: "Koryagin is leaving for Switzerland for permanent residence." No other information was given.

The Soviet Government began a review of sentences on charges of anti-Soviet activity earlier this year and Mr Gennady Gerasimov, the Foreign Ministry spokesman, said that about 150 dissidents were released from prison or exile by decrees of the Supreme Soviet.

South Africa's general election campaign

Independents see votes in Afrikaner heartland

From Michael Hornsby
Stellenbosch

Dr Esther Lategan, an attractive dark-haired businesswoman and mother of three children in her early 40s, is carrying the flag of the independent cause in Stellenbosch, seat of South Africa's oldest Afrikaans-speaking university, in the whites-only general election on May 6.

Her hope is that the students who jeered and heckled President Botha on Wednesday night, when he spoke at a meeting in the town hall in support of the ruling National Party's (NP) candidate, represent only the visible ripple on the surface of a much deeper liberal Afrikaner disenchantment with the Government.

More than 60 per cent of Stellenbosch's 13,000 white voters are students at the university or former undergraduates who have gone down but are still registered to vote there. It is these youthful hearts and minds that Dr Lategan needs to capture if she is to topple Mr Piet Marais, the incumbent MP.

She insists that she has "a realistic chance to win", but it is a tall order. At a by-election in 1982, Mr Marais polled 7,009 votes against 1,380 for the ultra-liberal Progressive Federal Party (PFP), 599 for the right-wing Conservative Party (CP) and 554 for the small middle-of-the road New Republic Party (NRP).

In accordance with their "alliance strategy", the PFP and the NRP are not putting up any candidates on May 6, and have instructed their supporters to vote for Dr Lategan. The CP has been replaced by the even more right-wing Herstigte Nasionale Party (HNP), which can expect to pick up some conservative votes.

President Botha: receiving a rough ride while speaking in Stellenbosch.

Dr Lategan, the daughter of a former government MP, was educated at Stellenbosch where her husband is a professor of theology, and voted for the NP at the last election in 1981. She is typical of the youngish, urbanized and intelligent Afrikaners who have become deeply unhappy with the pace and content of reform.

"I supported the Government in 1981 because I thought P.W. (Botha) was serious about reform, that the tricameral Parliament would give real political rights to Indians and Coloureds, and that the extension of these to blacks was the next item on the agenda," Dr Lategan said.

"Instead, it is clear that what the Government calls 'consensus politics' simply means the maintenance of a white veto. The final constitutional model must emerge from negotiations. But the right climate for negotiations must first be created by scrapping all apartheid laws and freeing black politics."

Dr Lategan says this means releasing Mr Nelson Mandela from jail, legalizing the African National Congress and giving them a chance to substitute negotiation for guerrilla warfare.

In this, she goes rather further than her fellow independent, Dr Denis Worrall, the former South African ambassador in London, who is contesting the neighbouring constituency of Helderberg.

On the face of it, there is not much difference between Dr Lategan's views and those of the English-oriented PFP. Her decision to stand as an independent is largely a matter of tactics. A PFP candidate could never win in Stellenbosch, whereas an Afrikaner, articulating the changing mood in Afrikanerdom, might just do so.

Earlier this year some 300 Stellenbosch academics signed a statement of support for the independent candidates, who also include Mr Wynand Malan in the Johannesburg constituency of Randburg. Just over a year ago a group of students at the university defied President Botha by holding talks with the ANC in Zimbabwe.

Stellenbosch University has always been the source of the most innovative Afrikaner thinking. President Botha, the Chancellor of the university, is one of the very few Afrikaner political leaders not to have been educated there.

The town itself – a place of beauty with its whitewashed gabled houses and oak-shaded streets – was founded and named after Simon van der Stel, who governed the Cape for the Dutch East India Company from 1678 to 1699.

He was of mixed blood (his mother was a Mauritian Indian), and Cape Afrikaners have always been less obsessed with race than the Boers who settled the interior.

When Mr Botha came to re-model Dr Verwoerd's policy of "separate development" – considered reformist in its day – Stellenbosch, effectively the NP's private think-tank, provided the intellectual engine-house. Until very recently only a few maverick academics here disputed that the NP had to be the vehicle through which change was effected.

Hence the shock effect of this week's declaration by Professor Sampie Terreblanche, a former close adviser to the Government who now leads the academic revolt, that the NP is incapable of reform and that only if it "disintegrates will the opportunity arise for a democratic take-over of the Government by a truly reform-oriented party".

A declaration released yesterday by nine leading academics from Afrikaans universities other than Stellenbosch challenged Professor Terreblanche's view, appealing to voters not to "turn their back" on "a reform-minded government".

What Professor Terreblanche and the independents are hoping is that they will do well enough on May 6 to provide the catalyst for the formation of a new multi-racial reformist party which will be in a strong position to contest the next election in 1989, when (unless the constitution is amended) all three houses of Parliament (white, Coloured and Indian) must go to the polls.

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As tension rises on the border Israelis respond with threats to PLO's new mood of self-confidence

Jets shower menacing leaflets on villages of southern Lebanon

From Robert Fisk, Sidon

The Palestinians were nervous after the Israelis' night raid, and the moment the high whisper of the jets was heard again over Sidon yesterday morning, their anti-aircraft gunners in Ein Helwe began to speckle the bright sky over the camp with small, black patches of ragged smoke. But this was a special kind of raid.

A few hours earlier, Israeli Cobra helicopter gunships had fired salvos of rockets at three drab concrete buildings in Ein Helwe, all used by Mr Yassir Arafat's erstwhile opponents in the PLO.

But yesterday morning, for almost an hour across southern Lebanon, the jet pilots showered the population with leaflets containing a series of threats from the northern commander of the Israeli Army. They specifically warned that, if attacks on Galilee continued, the people of southern Lebanon "will not be able to live in peace".

The papers, which were signed only "IDF (Israel Defence Force) Commander of the Northern Front", were quite open in their intent. "Remember the events that preceded 1982," they said ominously; no one in southern Lebanon will have forgotten the bloody results of the 1982 Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

If calm did not prevail in the settlements of northern Galilee, the leaflets continued, then "the population of Nabatea and Tyre as well as the whole region will not be able to live in peace. Keep terrorists away from your villages because this is the best for you."

What was on the Israelis' minds yesterday was quite simple: the containment of the PLO after its most recent guerrilla raid across the Lebanese border, and especially after Mr Arafat's newly-proclaimed Palestinian unity in Algiers.

Nor were the Israelis the only ones to be exercised on this subject. In his first-floor office scarcely a mile from Ein Helwe, Mr Mustafa Saad, the sightless Sunni Muslim militia leader who controls Sidon, was yesterday speculating ruefully on the results of the Algiers summit.

"I hope it will have no effect on us here," he said. "I hope this. But what I hope and what they (the PLO) plan is a different matter. We really wish that nothing will happen here. We talk to the Palestinians in the camp — we are democratic people. But they must not carry weapons outside the camp. It is absolutely forbidden. And the Palestinians must stay inside their camp, not outside.. their camp."

PLO guerrillas, in fact, still hold a row of hills east of Sidon, outside their camps, since they fear that the Shia Muslim Amal militia will use the high ground to shell Ein Helwe if they withdraw. Mr Saad has already interposed his own Sunni "Popular Liberation Army" between Amal and the PLO, in the hope that he can restore a status quo.

"We have given the Palestinians guarantees that they will not be shelled from the hills," he said. "We hope that Amal accepts the policy of our movement to keep the situation peaceful here. If it does this — if — there will be no problem."

Mr Saad talks in a low, depressed voice for he has little to be happy about. The Saad family has deep roots not only in Sidon but in the history of the Lebanon conflict. Many Lebanese regard the assassination of his father, Maarouf, in 1975 as the start of the civil war. Mr Saad was himself the victim of an assassination attempt in 1984 when a bomb, for which he still holds the Israelis and their militia allies responsible, exploded outside his home, killing his daughter, Natasha, and almost totally blinding him.

Today, Mr Saad speaks slowly from a ruined face, a pair of dark glasses covering his large, unmoving eyes. "We are a patriotic people here," he said. "We are not just Sunni — we represent all people. There are six Shia families living here in the same building as my office. We have Christians and even a few Druze. We are nationalist, not sectarian." Even the Syrian Army could enter Sidon by agreement, he said.

And that, perhaps, is what may ultimately occur if Mr Saad cannot contain the Palestinians. Even the Israelis have raised few objections to the presence of a small unit of Syrian special forces troops on the Awali river bridge just north of the city, on the very stretch of roadway on which Israeli soldiers maintained their own checkpoint until February 1985.

But the Syrians are making no complaints about Israel's discomfort along the Lebanese border, which may be why the Israeli leaflets were worded so carefully yesterday.

Printed in Arabic on pink paper, but bearing the crest of the Israeli Army at the top, they urged the Lebanese to use their memories. "Don't forget the calamities brought upon you by the Palestinians, who cared nothing for your welfare," they added. "The IDF does not want to bring destruction upon you . . . Your fate is in your own hands . . . May God guide your steps to the welfare of all."

Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli Prime Minister, during a visit yesterday to the home of Mr Abed Abu Snena, right, Mayor of the West Bank town of Kalkilya. Two weeks ago an Israeli settler was killed near by when her car was petrol-bombed.

Egypt plea to Algiers meeting

From A Correspondent
Cairo

President Mubarak of Egypt has said that the Palestinians must maintain ties with Egypt, despite calls by radicals at the Palestinian National Council meeting in Algiers to break links because of Egypt's relations with Israel.

Speaking to reporters after opening a new session of Parliament, President Mubarak said the Palestinians could not go back on their relations with Egypt.

Egypt, he said, was the leading Arab country. Mr Mubarak indicated that it would be useful to wait until the PNC meeting had finished before drawing any further conclusions.

Earlier, in his speech to Parliament, Mr Mubarak said Egypt was not shifting its allegiance from the United States to the Soviet Union, as suggested recently by an Egyptian newspaper.

He denied reports in the right-wing *al-Wafd* to the effect that Egypt was changing allegiance from Washington to Moscow because the latter, unlike the former, responded favourably to Egyptian requests for debt relief.

Mr Mubarak did not name the Soviet Union, the United States or the newspaper but he was obviously referring to them. "It was not difficult for those who wrote this nonsense to realize that Egypt does not waver, swing back and forth in its policy."

The Soviet Union has reportedly agreed to reschedule Egyptian debts of $3,000 million to be repaid over 25 years, including a grace period of six years.

Egypt is having difficulty in persuading the United States to relieve it of its military debts of about $4.5 billion.

As he emerged from the assembly hall, Mr Mubarak was asked about his delayed visit to the United States, which was said to have been postponed indefinitely because of Cairo's dissatisfaction with Washington's refusal to reschedule the debts.

He said: "Contacts are in progress with them; there are telephone calls and other communications."

On internal affairs, Mr Mubarak said that he would use "no leniency, no laxity and no truce" in dealing with any group that "disrupts the course of democracy".

Frontline kibbutz feels the heat of war

From Ian Murray
Kibbutz Misgav-am
Galilee

A couple of days ago Mr Josef Abas checked his gun and the military equipment he keeps at home. "When things start to hot up" he always does that, almost instinctively.

Things have been hotting up recently in this isolated area along the western edge of the Galilee panhandle. Last Sunday three Palestinians cut through the wire fence just along the road at Kibbutz Manara and died in an ambush they prepared for Israeli soldiers.

Katyusha rockets are landing regularly around here. For security reasons no one will say exactly where for fear of helping those who fire them from across the valley in Lebanon to get a range for these erratic missiles.

At the moment, talk in the kibbutz centres on what everyone refers to as "the war", when Israel invaded Lebanon in 1983 with the aim of destroying the Palestinian state-within-a-state. In the present climate of mounting tension everyone seems to be wondering if "the war" was really worth it. Nobody seems anxious to see a repeat invasion.

Mr Abas has lived here for 10 years and can recognize the signs. People on the kibbutz are nicer to each other because they feel united against the common danger. The men are fussing about checking equipment and making sure everything is ready to withstand an attack. Everyone is glad that

● Katyusha rockets are landing regularly around here ●

the bomb shelters, prettily camouflaged with window boxes, have just had a new coat of paint. "Living here we are just soldiers on holiday," Mr Abas said.

Misgav-am means "a high place overlooking people", and from its windows there is a spectacular view of Mount Hermon in Syria and of Lebanon meeting Israel in the valley below.

Until seven years ago the kibbutz fence marked the border. Then, one night, five Palestinians cut through it and captured the children's house, where six young children used to sleep together in the best kibbutz tradition.

They killed the woman minding them and one 2½-year-old who would not stop crying before the infiltrators were overcome. After that, for security reasons, toddlers were not kept together but allowed to sleep in their own homes, an extra border fence and minefield were set up and the bullet-shattered children's house was rebuilt "to show we will not be moved".

That spirit is very much in evidence now. The kibbutz is heavily in debt, despite the prosperous bandage-making factory, carp ponds, cotton fields and apple orchards now in full blossom. It is isolated and in real danger of attack by rocket or infiltrators.

But the people are used to being in the front line and are in part chosen to become members of the kibbutz on the basis of their commitment to Zionism. "We are the first line of defence of this country," Mr Abas explained. "We are part of the defence of this area and if we leave it would be impossible for the Army to run things on its own. We believe it is not enough to want to live on a kibbutz to come here. You must have a little bit more."

Mr Peter Mosmoy decided to emigrate from the United States to live here seven years ago. Recently married, he likes the life, whatever the tension, and means to stay. A veteran of "the war", however, he wonders if it was fought for anything at all.

"When we went in we were just fighting the Palestinians," he remembered. "The Lebanese were glad we had come to do that. Now we have new enemies with Hezbollah and the Lebanese and the border is unsafe again."

For him, like most people on the kibbutz, the so-called "security zone" which Israel runs inside Lebanon with the help of its proxy South Lebanon Army, is an important security measure.

● The people are used to being in the frontline ●

Mr Abas agreed. "The city has always stayed peaceful during the war. It was quiet then and it was a strange feeling for us because we were not used to it. But it was an expensive peace because it cost us a lot in soldiers."

Beirut Cabinet discusses economy

From Our Own Correspondent, Beirut

With ambitious sentiments but few financial details, all but one of Lebanon's mutually hostile cabinet members met for the first time in seven months on the Beirut frontline yesterday to examine ways of halting the economic collapse which the Government's impotence has helped to bring about.

Mr Hussein al-Husseini, the Parliament Speaker, announced later that Mr Rashid Karami's Cabinet had agreed to launch a scheme of state-subsidized medicine and to set up a department to care for the one million Lebanese who have been displaced during 13 years of civil war.

Given the three-day strike which Muslim and Christian communities started yesterday to protest against worsening living standards, the nine ministers who met in the Parliament on the Green Line between the Christian and Muslim sectors of Beirut could scarcely have done less.

They demanded the reopening of Beirut International airport, which closed on February 1 when the national airline lost its insurance cover, and the surrender of private harbours to government control.

Poll surge by Jakarta Opposition

Jakarta (Reuter) — Early unofficial returns in the Indonesian election yesterday showed the opposition Indonesian Democratic Party gaining against the ruling Golkar Party in polling in the capital.

A spokesman for the Democratic Party, which campaigned on individual rights and adopted the portrait of the charismatic late President Sukarno, said that in Jakarta the Party appeared to be either leading Golkar or in second place at many polling stations.

In the last election, the Democrats won only 15 per cent in the capital and 8 per cent nationwide.

Palme lead

Stockholm (AP) — A Swedish woman belonging to an ultra-right group was seen at the same cinema as Mr Olof Palme on the night he was assassinated and is sought by police in the US for questioning, newspapers said.

Japan quake

Tokyo (AP) — An earthquake hit northern Japan, triggering automatic shutdowns at three nuclear plants but causing no serious damage or injuries, the authorities said.

Doctors strike

Oslo (Reuter) — Most of Norway's 12,000 doctors staged a three-hour strike for increases in private sector charges.

Nato exercise

Casteau, Belgium (AP) — Nato says an exercise named "Dragon Hammer 87" will take place from May 3 to 15 in the Mediterranean.

Envoy recalled

Ankara (Reuter) — Turkey has recalled its Ambassador from Washington for consultations over proposed cuts in US aid, officials said.

Row boils over

New York (AP) — A man who had not spoken to his neighbour in three years shot him dead then committed suicide, police said.

Cow's stay

Gibraltar — The authorities have given a stay of execution to the Rock's only cow, Louisa, brought into the colony illegally.

Japan-US trade dispute

Tokyo television stokes the emotions

From David Watts
Tokyo

On prime night-time television news a leading Japanese commentator asked the US Secretary of Agriculture if America's demands for access to the Japanese market for its rice sought to destroy the livelihood of three-and-a-half million Japanese rice farmers.

Ignoring a considerable body of opinion in Japan that rice farming has been coddled for too long, a government policy which seeks to reduce the amount of rice acreage and consumers who pay up to 20 times the American price for their rice, the commentator chose to stoke emotions on an issue which has near-mythological power in Japan.

Mr Taro Kimura could well have argued that Japan is not alone in protecting its agriculture, that the rural sector is still the principal source of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party's power, or that few governments are willing to sacrifice their own in the interests of international harmony.

Instead, he reverted to encouraging the idea, perpetuated in some popular books, that the United States will no longer tolerate Japan's power and must destroy it — as if the import of modest amounts of rice would achieve that dubious end.

Fortunately, debate and the opinions expressed over the last few weeks of trade friction do not always stoop to such crude levels, but the NHK television network programme which the commentator hosts is very influential.

In many areas the strong emotionalism of many Japanese, and the feeling that they are different, are never far from the surface: all the country's phenomenal economic strength has not swept away the basic feelings of insecurity in dealing with the rest of the world, feelings which are rekindled by trade protests from all sides which to many seem unfair.

Worldly Japanese see a need for change but, for the majority in a society which prizes consensus and loyalty to the group-nation, the old Japanese saying still applies: the nail that sticks out gets hammered down. Few with the influence to change the consensus see the need or are willing to leave the security of the group to speak out.

In society, politics and industry the older generation still rules. It is not seemly for younger figures to express themselves too openly. But leaders must obtain a measure of consensus before proceeding on any new course, a relatively simple matter when dealing with something that threatens the Japanese family as a whole, but extremely difficult once different elements adopt positions which prevent unanimity.

Japan's special envoy in the US is carrying a urgent message of the need for immediate action to redress the trade imbalance (David Watts writes from Tokyo). Mr Shintaro Abe has found a severe attitude in Congress which does not point to a resolution of the problem before Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, the Prime Minister, visits Washington next week.

"I have mixed feelings about trade friction because I'm one of the older generation," said a middle-aged executive. "I'm glad that we have succeeded in developing to the point where we have a trade surplus. We constantly ran a trade deficit until the late 1960s. But now we've done it too much. We have a habit of overdoing things, so we need to adjust. We must realize that the huge imbalance in our trade is a source of disruption in the world economy.

"But my feelings are mixed also because the problem is partly the responsibility of the US. Some people say about 50 per cent of the US deficit is due to the American budget deficit, but they're not doing anything about that in the US . . . I'm irritated that the response in the US is too emotional.

"Japan is isolated and Japanese don't like that. We are the third-largest investors in the US, but we don't hear anything about all the British and Dutch investment. All you hear about is the Japanese investment."

Japanese rice and beef taste better, says Mrs Yasuyo Sugiura, a housewife in her 60s. "And if I think about my daily diet and shopping there's no reason to buy foreign products."

"Japan should open its markets more to other foreign companies," said Mr Ryosuke Mizoma, who works for a foreign financial firm. "Japan is now strangling itself, it is not only suffering criticism and economic sanctions . . . From the global view not only Japan but other nations suffer from the so-called closed Japanese market."

Mr Tohru Ohki admits there may be non-tariff barriers in ministry regulations "which make even us Japanese mad", but as an engineer he thinks one of the main reasons for trade friction is the uncompetitiveness of foreign offerings: "Even with the current exchange rate, when the yen is so strong, prices are still too high and after-sales service is not adequate. A Japanese company thinks first of all of after-sales service in selling to a foreign country."

'Billionaire' killer could go to gas chamber

From Ivor Davis
Los Angeles

The same jury that returned a verdict of first-degree murder against Joe Hunt, the self-styled leader of a group of high-flying young investors who proudly called themselves the Billionaire Boys Club, will next month decide whether Hunt, aged 27, should die in the gas chamber or be sentenced to life imprisonment.

After two days of deliberations, the jury of 11 women and one man in Santa Monica ruled that Hunt had murdered a self-confessed swindler, Ron Levin, aged 42, who disappeared from his home in Beverly Hills in June 1984.

The jury returned a guilty verdict even though police have never found the body. There have been reports in the past week that three people, including a reporter for a Los Angeles news agency, have seen Levin alive.

Joe Hunt: declined to give evidence in his own defence.

This was just the latest twist in a bizarre case which has captured media attention, is the subject of two, and perhaps even three, books and has caught the eye of several Hollywood film producers.

The club, known as BBC for short, was made up of the sons of wealthy and prominent Southern Californian families, who tried to amass fortunes by investing and playing the stock market. Witnesses in the trial included the offspring of the owner of a chain of department stores and the son of a property tycoon.

The prosecution contended that Hunt killed in cold blood for revenge and profit, and even took with him on the night of the murder a hand-written seven-page list of things to do — a list he inadvertently left behind.

According to the prosecution, Hunt and his bodyguard forced Levin to hand over a cheque for $1.5 million (£1 million) to save his own ailing business, and then shot him to avenge an elaborate commodities trading hoax.

Hunt allegedly buried the corpse in a remote canyon, where the remains of a second alleged victim of the BBC, Hedayat Eslaminia, a former high-ranking Iranian official, were later found.

Hunt, who came to court each day in a dark, pin-striped business suit and showed little emotion during testimony, is due to stand trial for that murder later this year, along with three other members of the BBC, including Mr Eslaminia's son.

The defence had claimed that Levin had engineered his own disappearance to avoid prosecution for fraud.

Two defence witnesses had testified that they saw a man in Arizona who they were certain was Levin. Hunt did not testify in his own defence and was found guilty of murder despite claims by his ex-girlfriend and his mother that he was at home on the night of the alleged murder.

Strikes threaten holidays in Spain

From A Correspondent, Madrid

Strikes in Spain are going to carry on, upsetting holiday-makers right through May and into early June, as a result of a decision taken by Spanish airlines and railway unions to continue their protests until pay demands are met.

To add to the disruption, air traffic controllers are joining in for the first time.

They have announced stoppages on nine days in May. The strikes in the state-owned flag-carrier, Iberia, and in the domestic airline, Aviaco, called for May 20, 21, 22 and June 4 and 5, will also be aggravated by an indefinite go-slow by ground staff, which began yesterday, and by a boycott of airline overtime work.

● **Prison go-slow:** Staff at the main prison hospitals in Madrid and several cities in southern Spain, including Seville, Cadiz and Málaga, began a go-slow yesterday in protest at conditions for treating Aids patients, and to back demands for stricter health controls.

The go-slow coincided with a written protest by 30 Aids patients in a prison hospital in Madrid who have asked for parole because they are suffering from a fatal disease.

Howe told of damage over treaty

From Stephen Taylor
Sydney

Britain's decision not to sign the South Pacific Nuclear-Free Zone Treaty emerged yesterday as the one significant point of difference in meetings between Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, and the Australian Government.

Sir Geoffrey, on the second stage of his Thailand-Australia-New Zealand trip, arrived here from Sydney yesterday and went straight into talks with Mr Bill Hayden, his opposite number, and Mr Bob Hawke, the Prime Minister.

It is evident that the two governments now have few disagreements on the need for agricultural pricing reform, both inside and outside the European Community.

However, Mr Hayden said he was disappointed that Britain had not signed the Rarotonga Treaty, and said Whitehall had not appreciated the damaging effect this would have among the island states of the South Pacific.

He told a press conference yesterday that he had urged Britain to reconsider signing the treaty — which excludes the use, testing and storage of nuclear weapons in the South Pacific.

British officials said Sir Geoffrey had made it clear that Britain's attitude was dictated by its European position rather than South Pacific orientation, but that it would observe the protocols of the treaty.

Agricultural reform is another important issue for Canberra. Mr Hayden said that subsidized US and EEC sales were causing an annual loss in revenue of between 10 and 15 per cent for Australia's farmers.

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Hook, line and Pincher

As Mrs Thatcher confirmed yesterday that spymaster Sir Maurice Oldfield had been a homosexual, Brian James found the man who raised the alarm on a Scottish river bank, putting out more bait

Tim Bishop

The catcher in the Highlands: Pincher yesterday — "oh yes, a great many of my scoops were given to me at the end of a day's shooting, or from a chap just along the river bank."

At the end of a week in which he has flushed another high-ranking officer out of the thickets of the intelligence service, and into the light, it was absolutely no surprise to come upon Harry Chapman Pincher game fishing in Scotland.

He does, after all, give his recreations in *Who's Who* as "ferreting in Whitehall" and "bolting politicians". Pincher, said one of his coterie of Whitehall contacts is "a huntin' shootin' fishin' chap who has elevated mole-hunting into a field sport."

Pincher gave a great bark of pleased laughter when I passed on that remark. He was visibly less keen on the verdict from another of the Establishment: "Pincher? A patriot no doubt. For that reason, I hope he never has to face the damage he has done."

Pincher bristled: "Stuff and nonsense. Peppered a few blown-up politicians. Shown up the leaks in departments that should have been tight. But that's not damage to the country. Don't regret a single thing I've found out about and printed."

What Chapman Pincher has found out and printed, as defence correspondent and "spyman" of the *Daily Express* — and on into his retirement — has filled 34 scrap books and provided the database for three books of intelligence service revelations, including the first claim that Roger Hollis, the former MI5 chief, was a KGB plant. A fourth book is due next month and it is from the first serialized episode that the nugget that Maurice Oldfield, former head of MI6, was a homosexual with a particular penchant for young male partners, came glinting to the light.

As over his shoulder great salmon lept and sparkled, Pincher yesterday set himself to bring down a few of the covey of birds put up by that little bombshell.

"Look here, this yarn in your newspaper that the Oldfield scandal was leaked to me by MI5 to settle old scores with MI6 is nonsense. So is the idea that it is all linked to the Peter Wright case. Let me tell you the whole story — or as much as I dare.

"In 1982, the crime correspondent of my paper told me that the Special Branch had investigated Oldfield as a possible homosexual. I was horrified, because I knew him as a friend. But not surprised. I'd often asked other MI6 people 'Maurice, is he a queer d'you think?'

"Thing is, he was just too damn affable with young men. Waiters, that sort of person. All the staff in the restaurant where he first took me to lunch knew who he was and what he did. Struck me as damned odd. I asked my wife, women have an instinct about these things, but she said no; Maurice, poor chap, was just neuter."

Pincher took the Special Branch suspicions to other people in the secret services. "At top level. But I'm sure they knew already. At least no one said, 'Maurice? My God.' I have seen documents since that said my warning was noted."

That was all? "That was all. I didn't pursue it myself. No substantiation. And I had not the resources. Anyway Maurice was a friend."

But two years ago the matter came up again when Oldfield was serving in Northern Ireland. "One of his Special Branch protectors — yes, minders — found homosexual pornography in his flat. The Branch kept an eye out and this time got proof. This time it went to Scotland Yard, then the Home Secretary and then to Margaret Thatcher. How do I know this? I will not tell you — it will take a government inquiry, pressure like that for me to produce my proof."

Does he know the Prime Minister's reaction? "No idea. But she would have been shaken. She was a friend of Oldfield's. I know, because I introduced them, when she was leader of the Opposition, Maurice felt she should be briefed and I was asked to bring them together.

"None of this is hearsay. Coffee table gossip. I know these people. I've seen the papers. I know the facts. I could have written it two years ago and made a lot of money. The reason I tell the story now is that my book is about the motivations of traitors. Homosexuality is an important factor and knowing what I knew it would have been an act of professional incompetence not to have brought Oldfield in. But Maurice was not a traitor, of that I'm convinced. He would have reported any KGB threat to expose him and resigned. How a man with this awful weakness was permitted to reach this level in this sensitive service is inconceivable."

This had been a fairly typical conversation with Chapman Pincher, glimpses into an underworld made familiar by such as Le Carré, yet now almost casually peopled with the known and famous. Macmillan and Mountbatten crop up in other Pincher anecdotes which reveal much — but not quite who is using whom.

Pincher says his scoops stem from "the luck of being borne into a charmed circle." By this, the wartime missile expert means that the brother officers that were half-colonels when he left to become a defence correspondent rose to rank and thus knowledge, "which on occasions they would share."

A sort of confirmation comes from General Sir William Jackson, a former military intelligence expert: "Pincher was a confounded nuisance. But couldn't help admiring him. The thing is things were done to the services by our masters that the brass would want known. So they'd leak to this chap knowing he wasn't to be trusted. Never did it myself — but it was done. Have to say he was right most of the time."

Professor M R D Foot is less charitable. Foot, an ex-intelligence officer and official secret service historian, says: "My view on the man would be sulphuric. The stuff he produced on the intelligence services was almost utterly inaccurate. Don't doubt his loyalty, but he was woefully used. Effectively, he was being dealt the stuff of office politics, told never the whole truth but enough to score points for one side in some very nasty fighting. And the fact is he was like the chaps wandering in an 18th century powder magazine in nailed boots carrying a handful Lucifer matches. You really have to ask who let him in.

'I don't regret a single thing I've found out about and printed'

"He has succeeded in convincing a lot of people that Hollis and/or Oldfield were baddies. The only consequence of that is to weaken the country's trust in its services. There is a Latin tag which says, Who benefits? The answer in this case can only be the KGB. Pincher, unknowingly I'm sure, became their valuable ally." Is this the Professor's view? Or that of Britain's Secret Service? "Absolutely no comment".

On the position of Pincher, the user or the used, Lord Rawlinson stands neatly balanced. As a QC, he led the defence in the D-Notice trial of the sixties when Pincher and his newspaper were flailed by Wilson's government after his revelation about cable vetting: as Solicitor-General before and Attorney General after, Lord Rawlinson remembers "being very annoyed by so many late-night telephone calls about another War Office leak or intelligence scandal and I would say 'Oh God, not that Pincher again!'

"He is an exceptionally able journalist and it is undeniable he was a thorn in many administrations. I can't doubt his access to strikingly valid information. His sources? That had us darkly wondering many, many times.

"But he also had a great sense of the dramatic which sometimes coloured his better judgement. And his style of using bits without knowing, without ever being able to know, the whole picture undoubtedly did us and the country damage. He trusted his heart — perhaps a shade too much."

Pincher's new book is about the motivation of traitors. No mystery attaches to Pincher's motivation, according to Sir Edward Pickering one of his finest editors at the *Daily Express*: "Simply the chap loved to delve. His reputation was made long before the spy stuff by a general knowledge series called *Fun Finding Out*. And for three decades in Fleet Street he never stopped having fun poking about. He had that sort of scientific bird-dog mind."

If Pincher used his old service colleagues well, according to Pickering, he later deliberately traded on other assets like his knowledge of shooting and fishing. "He turned his back on Fleet Street, El Vino's and all that, was a complete loner in the trade."

But his shooting parties, where the Dukes and the Generals and the good and the greatly suspected would mingle, became quite famous. Pincher confirms this between casts at a salmon: "Oh yes, a great many of my scoops were given me as we walked back at the end of a day's shooting, or came from the chap just along the bank. It was very fitting really, sniffing out spies is another sort of chase."

Mouse at the movies

A film animation company has left Hollywood for the delights of Dublin

A slice of Hollywood has come to Dublin, transforming an empty building into Sullivan Bluth Studios. Nowhere is pleasure at the antics of a mouse greater than in an anonymous concrete and glass office block standing on the banks of Dublin's River Liffey. The makers of *An American Tail*, an animated film which grossed $45 million (£27 million) in America in four months — despite fears that animated films had lost their appeal — are working on the follow-up.

Three bright but disillusioned animators left Walt Disney's studios, produced their own movie — a financial disaster — from a garage, became involved in video games and then teamed-up with an Irish-American financier, Morris Sullivan. Money and union problems forced the studio to desert Hollywood; sentimental family links plus attractive financial incentives from Ireland's Industrial Development Authority proved alluring. With a large pool of under-employed youngsters with art training, no language problems and easy communications with Europe and America, and the Emerald Isle was irresistible.

The IDA's financial package included grants of 50 per cent towards the cost of employing 100 Irish people, assistance with paying for the studio's premises and help with training. "We are producing the highest class animation, the kind of stuff Walt Disney can no longer do," says Sullivan, the 70-year-old managing director of the studio. Don Bluth, a 49-year-old ex-Disney is the "creative genius" of the operation.

Officials of the IDA are enthusiastic about the prospects of one of their more unusual projects. Somewhat sheepishly they explain that they believe the movie world suits the Irish temperament, with its linguistic talent and artistic streak. A spokesman says that it "opens up a whole new area". Sullivan believes the move to be "like a crusade. We want to see Ireland as the home of the world's finest quality animation studios. In three years I'm hoping the Irish themselves will be producing the films. That's the gamble we are working on. But we are here to stay."

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Stone walls do not necessarily a prison make ...

England's felons could serve their sentences, but avoid jail, if a novel American system of house arrest is introduced in this country

When Barry Ryan walked out of his Long Island home to visit his girlfriend, his legs reported him to the police. A radio signal from a transmitter strapped to one ankle alerted the Probation Department computer that he had broken his house arrest. After the police read the print-out, they took him to prison.

Ryan, a 25-year-old who was convicted last December of attempted petty larceny, is one of the first criminals to serve time at home under a new electronic detention system introduced in Nassau county, New York state. The court ordered him to stay in his own house at all times except when going to work. To check on his movements, he had to wear the transmitter 24 hours a day. It sent signals down his home telephone line, and a typical morning print-out would read: "Left home 8am, valid". But twice in a month the computer reported: "Left home, violation".

Police did not suspect him of intending to commit a crime — the early morning visits were "for social reasons" — but the sentence for violating this novel form of arrest was 90 days in jail.

The "electronic bell and chain" has been criticized by some legal experts as being too lenient, but applauded by others as a way of relieving jail-overcrowding while saving taxpayers' money. Yesterday, the Home Affairs Select Committee recommended that the Home Office should study the American's use of electronic tagging to see what application it might have in England and Wales.

The Nassau experiment is only one alternative to imprisonment now being considered throughout America, where the prison population has risen to a record 529,000, a total that is growing by 1,000 a week. Compulsory community service is one alternative. In the past, this was usually ordered for vandals or young, first-time offenders guilty of misdemeanours, but these days even cocaine dealers facing 15 years in jail have been sent instead to work with the homeless and the mentally handicapped.

One such dealer, Jim Guerra, has spent 400 hours over 30 months raising money to provide entertainers for the critically ill in Dallas hospitals. "I love the job," he says. "I'll probably continue it after the sentence is up.

More and more judges are ordering those convicted of non-violent crimes to stay at home, or in half-way houses, with permission only to go directly to work and back each day. They may also have to pay a stiff fine, and suffer a short, sharp taste of prison.

Proponents of house arrest look forward to the day when prison is reserved for career criminals and the violent. They point out that offenders, instead of costing up to £20,000 a year to retain in prison cells, can continue working, earning money to pay fines or their victims, and support families who might otherwise have to go on welfare.

About 30 states have funded "intensive probation supervision", in which participants are confined to their homes, required to pay restitution to victims and receive appropriate counselling. A man sentenced in 1984 to 15 years for burglary was released after a short spell in prison and ordered to observe a home curfew from 10pm to 6am. He had to remain at home for 30 months, at a cost to the state of about £6 a day, less than a third of the prison cost.

Some states have decided, however, on the much older and simpler deterrent: shame. They order drunken drivers, for example, to carry a bumper sticker proclaiming their conviction. In one county in Oregon, felons have been offered the option of publishing apologies in the local newspaper.

It is not yet clear to American criminologists how effective these alternatives are. One researcher found that home confinement gave convicts a far better chance than prison, with only about 20 per cent reverting to crime, but there is no agreement on how large a fine and how much enforced confinement should equal a prison sentence.

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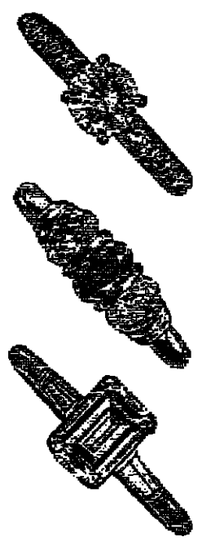

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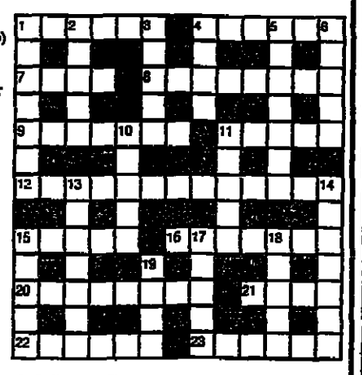

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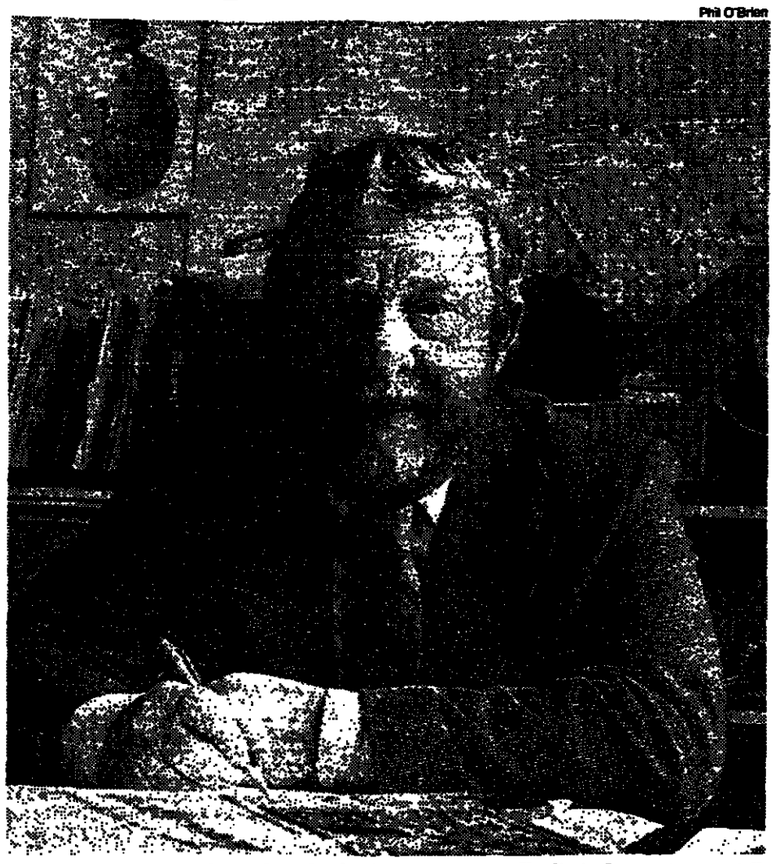
FRIDAY PAGE

Teenage agony art

Martin Herbert has advice for those whose children have become rude and moody adolescents. Libby Purves thinks parents should listen



Phil O'Brien

Father figure: Dr Martin Herbert, hoping "to restore some dignity to desperate parents"

I regret a great deal about my teenage years. I regret having been so rude, so depressed, so spotty and so fat; I regret the days wasted lying on the bed staring hopelessly at the ceiling, and the evenings frittered away in bolstering the egos of atrocious, swaggering, third-rate teenage boys. But most of all, I think, I regret that I never met Dr Martin Herbert.

All teenagers maintain a moody and erratic search for Someone Who Understands; and Dr Herbert, Professor of Clinical Psychology at Leicester University, shows more signs of understanding teenage agonies than most. He also, modestly and tentatively, offers a good many cures. Parents whose bright and biddable children have suddenly turned into rude, depressed, confused, aggressive strangers need no longer vacillate wildly between forced displays of matiness and hysterical impersonations of Mr Barrett of Wimpole Street: with Herbert by our side, more of us might reach a humane accommodation with our offspring.

Humanity is Martin Herbert's strong point. He was born in Durban, a white South African. His mother made him practise music ("I am always divided on this issue. In one way, children shouldn't be forced into such things. Yet when I got to the shyness of adolescence, and had this marvellous skill to help me socially, I realized she'd been right") and eventually he took to playing in a dance band. That, and his clinical psychology training, took him into black areas for the first time. "And I met blacks as individuals. It was marvellous. But it was the finish of me, as far as South Africa was concerned".

He came to England to finish his education, financing himself with dance-band gigs. He married here, but lost his only child in babyhood. "I am nervous about this. I am afraid people might say, what does he know?" But despite the tragedy, he is profoundly fatherly. His lost child would have been a teenager now, and he works with countless others, and with students – one of whom wrote to him recently after many years. "She was the wildest, most difficult girl. She sent me a letter returning a book of mine she'd just found, and said, 'You'll never believe this, but I'm a barrister!' And she actually thanked me – she said 'Thank you for being solid and always there.' I had never thought I had done anything for her at all."

His book, *Living with Teenagers* (published yesterday), and its predecessor *Caring for your Children*, are not among those which offer instant, extreme solutions to childcare. He is not a one-minute father, nor a new-right moralist, nor a bleeding-heart liberal. He is a clinical psychologist, who presents a small amount of prosaic advice in the context of a great number of systematic surveys of problems and disruptions in adolescence.

"These things are very valuable," he says rather apologetically. "Parents tend to have a rather demonological attitude to children – think of them as horrors, and of teenagers as monsters. We have to get rid of those expectations. Attributions, we call them in the jargon." He is wary too of the "frequent naïvety" of psychologists who interview problem cases. In Leicester, he set up a new system of working with children, teenagers and parents in their own homes rather than in the clinic. "It seems so obvious. Mothers with difficult children find them wonderfully well-behaved at clinics; everyone behaves more normally at home. Besides, it is good to set up a partnership between the parent and the psychologist, to restore some dignity to the desperate parent."

His view of teenagers is compassionate. He quotes 17th-century English philosopher John Locke: "Children are travellers newly arrived in a strange country of which they know nothing". Puberty, loss of identity, half-frightened yearnings towards independence lead on to what he identifies as the greatest problem of the period: depression arising from low self-esteem.

At times it may be difficult for a parent to accept that the arrogant teenager who will not lift a finger to help, who sneers at every parental value and swears at his mother, is suffering from a lack of self-esteem rather than the reverse.

Herbert is sympathetic. "It really can be hard. It is a bad time for parents to have difficulties themselves, to appear to have passions; they aren't welcome to share all the enthusiasms of the adolescent, they have to be rebelled against, they mustn't pretend to be anything they are not. And traditional values are fraying at the edges, so it is extra difficult for the parent to lay down rules and the adolescent to find a direction."

He is regularly accused by his students of being an old fogey, but quotes "careful, detailed studies, which show that some system of rules is important at this stage". He cites Asian immigrant children in Leicester "who have undergone desperate separations, moves, uncertainties – things we would assume would produce a disturbed teenager. Yet they do very well. They are supported by a culture and tradition of child-rearing which may seem rigid, but works."

His worst failures have been in chaotic homes, homes without beliefs or values, or ones where parents have rigidly permissive ideologies and impose them on a child looking for order and direction. "They may bitch on about rules and strictness, you know, but it's the children who say their parents don't care what they do who come to me the most bitter."

He is in revolt, too, against the Freudian model of psychology, in which frustrations in one direction have to be vented in another. "A person is not a plumbing system. And I get fed up with this business of regression therapy, shouting, screaming, tantruming, re-living awful things. It just reinforces awful behaviour."

One of the controversial sides of his therapy is the drawing up of "contracts" between parent and child, in which the child promises to let her parents know about her destination at night, not to be moody, to apologize at times, to do an hour's homework a night, and so on – and parents, with equal solemnity, sign undertakings to stop criticizing her friends, regularly review pocket money, and admit when they are in the wrong. It may sound absurd, but he has found it valuable therapy. "I have, professionally, seen children and teenagers recover from a position you would have deemed utterly hopeless."

The strength, and the novelty, of Martin Herbert's approach is in the combination of his certainty that good behaviour and social adaptation is both possible and necessary for everyone (a certainty which cracked in the 1960s and hasn't quite recovered) with a compassion and willingness to understand the feelings which militate against good behaviour.

He takes in the contradictions; he understands the dangers of premature foreclosing on adolescence (for example by teenage pregnancy), but as a scientist, points out that many societies don't have adolescence at all: a child takes on adulthood at puberty. He approves of affection and a liberal approach, but defends the child's "God-given right to have something to rebel against".

Because he has no brash, overall theory, he is unlikely to be a bestseller: but there is more wisdom in his book than in most. It won't date, either: I shall lay my copy down for 10 years, until I seriously need it.

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Taking liberties

BARBARA AMIEL

Last Tuesday night I watched the *News at Six*, transfixed by the images flickering in front of me. The footage was of an elderly man, Mr Karl Linnas, 67, being pushed into a car in New York City. He was en route to the Soviet Union, but he didn't want to go. One of the detectives accompanying him had to put his hand on top of Linnas's hat and squash it down, pushing the old man's head into the car like an overstuffed bag of groceries and speeding him on his way.

I could see Linnas's face on the screen. The eyes were like those of a rodent trapped in a beam of light against a wall. His head jerked back and forth and beneath the prophet's beard white and flowing, I could see his lips moving. The commentator said he was shouting "God bless America". Do you know, I cried.

My response shamed me at first because I am a Jew and Karl Linnas is an accused Nazi. Of course, practically speaking, the Holocaust touched me barely at all; I was safe in England. But I share a normal person's abhorrence of genocide and the historical obligation of a Jew. Vengeance has always seemed to me a perfectly respectable emotion and I believe that I could wreak it with my bare hands on a convicted Nazi. One doesn't weep over murderers, no matter how old, and beards can be grown by evil men as well as saints.

Karl Linnas emigrated to the United States in 1951. In the early 60s, the Soviets tried him *in absentia* for war crimes in Estonia. He was convicted and sentenced to death. In 1981 his American citizenship was revoked on grounds that he had concealed his Nazi past when admitted to the States. He fought deportation for eight years, but his deportation was a political decision, not a question of jurisprudence. Courts are powerless to make new laws and the punishment, though severe, was not illegal. He was greeted this week in the Soviet Union by the KGB, who pushed aside newsmen wanting photos with the words "We don't give publicity to traitors."

Naturally, I have never questioned that there are war criminals lurking about and that some of them found their way to the West. Still, my concern about Karl Linnas has nothing to do with questions of his guilt or innocence. Frankly, I have no way of knowing the extent of his guilt. Was he a concentration camp commandant as charged, who murdered hundreds of people? I don't know. He may have been. He may well have been a collaborator. He may have been an Estonian nationalist, fanatical in his anti-communism, hardened by the appalling atrocities the communists inflicted on the Estonians. If patriotic nationalism was behind his involvement with the Germans, he may well have had a partial defence to the charges against him – if only he had been able to present that defence.

What has become of us when we decide some people can be thrown to the wolves?

But he couldn't. Karl Linnas will never have a fair trial on the war criminal charges made against him. He was tried in a *civil* proceeding in the United States, concerned only with the truthfulness of his immigration application. The Soviet evidence used against him will never be tested in a criminal court and may well have been totally inadmissable.

Now Linnas has been sent to his death. In effect, the Americans seemed to have decided that the Karl Linnases of the world belong to a class of people for whom it is all right to suspend all those civil liberties and judicial safeguards that are the basis of their Constitution and freedom. The word "Nazi" seems to have become a mantra blocking rational thought. It is all right to send an accused Nazi back to the kangaroo courts of totalitarian communism. Would we have permitted the deportation to Nazi Germany of a man accused of communist atrocities? What has become of us when we decide that some people can be thrown to the wolves and exposed to a totally unjust system?

We teach our children, rightly I think, that the Second World War was one of the few wars fought for clear principles. Among those principles was the belief that justice is blind as to whether a man is Jew or Gentile, Nazi or communist, black or white; and the idea that every man, no matter how vile or weak or wretched, deserves a fair trial. I have no concern for the injury being done to this particular man. My concern is the injury we inflict upon the ideals for which our fathers died, when we dismiss the rights of a Karl Linnas.

As a Jew, I find the Jewish support for what seems to me a betrayal of these principles doubly mystifying. Surely these actions assist our single greatest opponent today, the Soviet Union? After all, it is the USSR that both funds the PLO and actively oppresses over two million Soviet Jews. Their recent desire to assist the West in tracking down Nazi war criminals is no mystery: the large ethnic communities from the Baltic states and the Ukraine now living in the West know about the Soviet reality better than anyone else, and not surprisingly, the Soviets try to alienate and discredit those communities.

Why, I thought, as I watched the grotesque figure of Karl Linnas fade from the screen, are we helping the people who want to push us into the sea? Life really is macabre.

TALKBACK

Sterile arguments

Why are women still kept in the dark about the consequences of some operations?

From A. Barrie, Manor Way, Blackheath, London SE3

As a father myself I would yield to no one when it comes to protecting the interests of children, but in my judgement the article by Libby Purves (Models of innocence?, Wednesday Page, April 8) was misguided.

To suggest that one may not acknowledge the attractiveness of attractive children is surely bordering on the neurotic. Her admonitions to the advertising industry about how much a child's body may be shown makes me wonder how she and her psychologist adviser, Michele Elliott, feel about, for example, soccer, swimming and PE for children. Is it to be soccer in long, loose-fitting trousers, swimming in sturdy neck-to-ankles costumes, and PE in the dark?

From Christopher Hurst, King Street, London WC2

Despite being middle-aged and hard-bitten, I found Jane Baker's short First Person piece "Just Causes and Impediments" (Wednesday Page, April 15) about the remarriage of her former husband almost unbearable to read. The husband's behaviour needs no comment; what does is the way the Church of England, presumably in the name of Christian love, has devalued its own marriage service and let down those who have been through it by giving its priests freedom, if they so choose, to let divorced people have the *full rite* on their second time round – never mind the vows exchanged with God the first time.

It has to be added that Archbishop Runcie's memorable statement (March 30) that he would be tough with himself while being woolly with others seems quite directly to connive at the kind of torment inflicted on Jane Baker. Last week we were being reminded of Christ's wounds on the cross. Did he suffer so that others should be released from moral responsibility in his name?

Mrs Mary Wright, who this week gave birth to the second of twins conceived with the aid of *in vitro* fertilization, had been sterilized some years earlier after having two children by her first husband. When that marriage ended and she met her present husband, she was distraught to be told by a doctor that it was impossible for her to become pregnant again, so she and her husband turned to the Bourn Hall Fertility Clinic to give them the baby they so desired.

Mrs Wright's advice to women considering sterilization is now said to be that they should think hard before going ahead, as they do not know what the future holds.

Mrs Phyllis Gold might well give the same advice, but for very different reasons. Phyllis Gold is the woman whose claim for compensation for a failed sterilization operation was turned down by the Court of Appeal last week.

She was sterilized just after the birth of her third child, but three years later she gave birth to her fourth. No one warned her when she was considering the operation that it carries a six-in-a-thousand risk of subsequent pregnancy if done immediately after childbirth. Nor did her consultant raise the possibility of vasectomy for her husband, a simpler operation with a much lower failure rate.

We do not know how Mrs Wright was sterilized – but today women are not always told that some methods, for example using clips, can offer an 80-90 per cent rate of pregnancy when reversed. Many doctors still advise women that sterilization is irreversible. The Gold ruling confirms that, in this country at least, patients are entitled to know only what doctors think they should be told.

Gold won £20,867 damages in the High Court, but last week the Court of Appeal ruled against her. The evidence showed that at the time she had the operation, in 1979, around 50 per cent of doctors did not make it a practice to warn women that sterilization was not 100 per cent foolproof. And that, said the judges, was conclusive: the doctor was not negligent.

Information gap: Phyllis Gold

Some would argue that the judges got it right; that doctors should only be held to blame if they botch an operation or give the wrong treatment. But this argument overlooks the fact that a doctor cannot operate without the patient's consent. How real is that consent if the patient is kept in the dark about the risks and the alternatives?

Even in 1987, women operated on for early breast cancer are not always told there is a choice between mastectomy, removing the whole breast, and lumpectomy, removing just the tumour and some of the surrounding tissue, but allowing the woman to keep her breast.

The doctrine of informed consent, enshrined in American and Canadian law, gives patients in those countries the right to know the material facts about an operation before submitting to the knife. But in Britain, the House of Lords decided in 1985, the information a doctor is obliged to give a patient largely depends on current medical practice.

In that case, Amy Sidaway, left partly paralysed after a delicate operation, sued her surgeon for not informing her of the small risk of damage to the spinal chord, and lost. Other doctors gave evidence that at the time, many surgeons would not have warned the patient of the risk.

But women considering sterilization are not ill; they simply want to limit their families in the way that best suits their circumstances.

Most women, told of the slight risk of failure, would still elect to go ahead. The warning would actually promote the purpose of the operation – preventing unwanted children – because a women who was alert to the possibility of pregnancy would spot the signs early enough for an abortion.

Some women, of course, have strong feelings against abortion. Shouldn't they be told that the risk of finding themselves facing that dilemma would be much smaller with vasectomies?

Ian Kennedy, professor of Medical Law and Ethics at King's College, London, is "surprised, and somewhat saddened" by the Gold ruling. "The court misses the very critical issue that for a patient to give proper consent, she needs to understand not only the risks, but also the alternatives."

Clare Dyer

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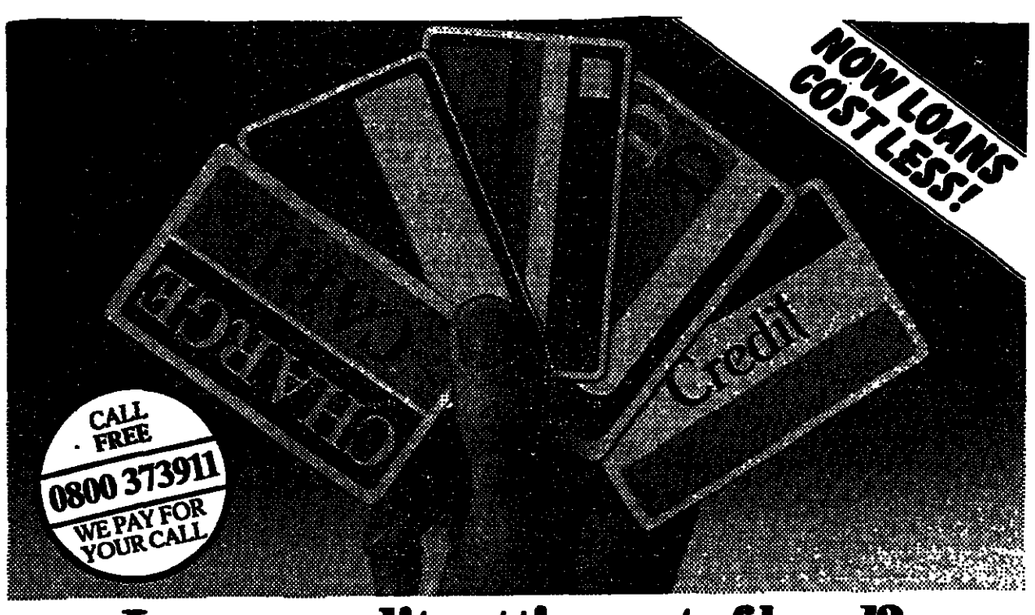

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Region 10

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Court of Appeal

Only parties can seek arbitration stay

Etri Fans Ltd v NMB (UK) Ltd

Before Lord Justice Fox and Lord Justice Woolf

[Judgment March 19]

Only parties to an arbitration agreement, and those claiming through or under them, who were sued in relation to a matter to which the agreement related, were entitled to seek a stay of the proceedings under section 1(1) of the Arbitration Act 1975.

The Court of Appeal so held in dismissing an appeal by two Japanese companies, Minebea Co Ltd and Kondo Co Ltd, from the refusal by the Sir Nicolas Browne-Wilkinson, Vice-Chancellor, of their applications to be joined as parties to an action between Etri Fans Ltd and NMB (UK) Ltd and for an order to stay the action under the section.

Mr Stewart Boyd, QC and Mr Graham Shipley for the applicants; Mr David Donaldson, QC and Mr David Kitchin for the plaintiff.

LORD JUSTICE WOOLF said that Etri was a sister company of a French company which designed, manufactured and marketed a range of axial fans. NMB was a subsidiary of the Japanese companies.

Etri brought the action against NMB on the ground that NMB had imported into the country and offered for sale fans which infringed the copyright of the French company in the original engineering drawings of the fans manufactured by the French company. The claim was made by Etri as assignee of the copyright.

The fans which were the subject of the action were manufactured by Kondo in Japan. Kondo had been granted a licence to manufacture the fans under an agreement made with the French company.

Kondo had also been granted a licence to sell the fans, though not in the United Kingdom, under the agreements which provided that arbitration should take place in the country of the defending party.

The Vice-Chancellor dealt with the applications on the assumption that the agreement covered Etri's claims. The same course would be adopted.

It was accepted that NMB could not succeed on an application for a stay. Having served a defence and taken other steps in the action, it could not bring itself within the section since an application had to be made "after appearance, and before delivering any pleadings or taking any other steps in the proceedings".

Before dealing with the question of whether the applicants should be joined in the proceedings his Lordship would come to a conclusion on the application for a stay. For if that application would as a matter of law fail then there would be no purpose in allowing the appeal in relation to the joinder.

Section 1(1) provided: "If any party to an arbitration agreement . . . or any person claiming through or under him, commences any legal proceedings in any court against any other party to the agreement, or any person claiming through or under him, in respect of any matter agreed to be referred, any party to the proceedings may . . . apply to the court to stay the proceedings and the court . . . shall make an order staying the proceedings."

"Any party to the proceedings" who might apply "to stay" them was a reference to the "any other party to the agreement, or any person claiming through or under him" mentioned earlier in the subsection, against whom legal proceedings had been commenced by the other party to the arbitration agreement or any person claiming through or under him.

It was impossible to read the words "any party to the proceedings" in a wholly unqualified manner since that would lead to the result that where there was an action brought against two defendants one of whom only was a party to the arbitration agreement the other party would be entitled to apply for and obtain a stay.

If a party entitled to the benefit of an arbitration agreement wished to arbitrate although he was not sued, he was entitled to initiate the arbitration process himself and did not need to wait for an action to be commenced against him to enable him to do so.

The reason the applicants did not wish to initiate that process in the present case was that that would result in the arbitration taking place in France instead of Japan, where they would prefer the arbitration to take place.

The purpose and intent of the section was that parties to an arbitration agreement and those claiming through or under them who were sued in relation to a matter which it had been agreed to refer to arbitration should be entitled to seek a stay.

It was not the intention of the subsection that those who had not been sued should be able to take advantage of the provisions of the section by applying to become parties to the proceedings, against the wishes of the plaintiff, purely for the purpose of obtaining a stay of the action.

Mr Boyd submitted that the court had an inherent jurisdiction to grant a stay even though the applicants could not avail themselves of the section.

In his Lordship's view, the circumstances in which the court would grant a stay under its inherent jurisdiction in situations dealt with by the statutory provisions were rare. The jurisdiction was a truly residual one and principally confined to dealing with cases not contemplated by the statutory provisions.

On the facts, even if the applicants were to be joined in the proceedings, they would not be entitled to a stay. There was therefore no purpose in their being joined in the proceedings and accordingly the appeal should be dismissed.

Lord Justice Fox agreed.

Solicitors: Payne Hicks Beach; Herbert Smith & Co.

No absolute privilege in letter

Richards v Cresswell

Before Mr Justice Turner

[Judgment March 27]

Absolute privilege did not attach to a letter sent to a Department of Environment inspector appointed to hold an inquiry into an appeal against a planning enforcement notice because such an inquiry was not judicial but administrative in character and because the letter was not a document in the nature of a pleading, nor evidence, nor sufficiently closely connected to the giving of evidence before a judicial tribunal.

Mr Justice Turner so held in determining a preliminary issue in a libel case in the Queen's Bench Division at Nottingham.

The letter had been sent to the Department of the Environment in response to an invitation by the local planning authority to make representations to the inquiry appointed to determine an appeal under section 88(2)(a), (b), (c) and (e) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 and received under Regulation 11(7) of the Town and Country Planning (Enforcement) (Inquiries Procedure) Rules (SI 1981 No 1743).

Mr Patrick Moloney for the plaintiff; Mr Stephen Beresford for the defendant.

MR JUSTICE TURNER said that there was no single or simple test to determine whether the appeal procedure was a judicial or administrative process, but the relevant principles were outlined by Lord Diplock in *Trapp v Mackie* ([1979] 1 WLR 377).

One had to consider: first, under what authority the tribunal acted; second, the nature of the question into which it was its duty to inquire; third, the procedure adopted in carrying out the inquiry; and fourth, the legal consequences reached by the tribunal as a result of its inquiry.

His Lordship concluded that the relevant appeal process in the instant case was not similar to proceedings in a court of justice because the inquiry did not just determine matters of fact in regard to compliance or non-compliance with planning permission, but had the power to alter the ground rules by making its own planning decision which might render otiose any question of fact which might have arisen with regard to compliance or otherwise under the terms of the section 88(2) enforcement notice.

It was that aspect of the case which permitted the inquiry to adopt procedures which his Lordship identified as being dissimilar to those of a court of justice.

It had never been suggested that a planning permission *per se* could be arrived at in a way similar to that in which a decision of a court of justice was reached. It was a classic example of an administrative decision.

The making of such decisions involved considerations which were utter strangers to the decision-making process in a court of justice, which was constrained to arrive at its decisions only by the reception of evidence admissible by its procedure, and never dependent upon pre-existing questions of administrative or planning policy.

Therefore, the tribunal being substantially administrative in character the protection of absolute privilege could not be invoked.

His Lordship's decision did not rest solely on that ground. The overriding principle was that there should be finality in litigation.

Even had the tribunal been judicial in nature, the relevant letter would not have come within the rule as, applying the test used by Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, in analogous circumstances in *Hasselblad (GB) Ltd v Orbinson* ([1985] QB 475), the letter could not be regarded as sufficiently closely connected to the process of giving evidence for it to be protected.

Factors leading his Lordship to that conclusion were that the author had no means of knowing the use to which, if any, the appointed person might put the letter – it might never find its way into the public domain. There was a complete absence of compulsion in making the representation, and the author thereof might never be called upon to justify its contents.

Solicitors: Fraser, Brown, White & Pears, Nottingham; Johnstone Sharp & Wood, West Bridgford.

Call for core bundle of documents

Shell International Petroleum Co Ltd v Transnor (Bermuda) Ltd

It was not enough for solicitors who were preparing bundles of documents for the Court of Appeal simply to bundle all the documents together without applying their minds to whether the court would need to have all those documents before it.

Documents should not appear more than once, even if exhibited to different affidavits. If there were to be more than 100 pages of documents, a small core bundle should always be prepared for the assistance of the court.

Lord Justice May so stated on April 8, sitting in the Court of Appeal with Lord Justice Lloyd, when dismissing an application for leave to appeal in which the applicant's bundle exceeded 700 pages and contained four or five copies of some documents.

Justices erred over costs order

Regina v Oxford City Justices, Ex parte Chief Constable of Thames Valley Police

On a prosecution which had been properly brought, justices ought not to have ordered the prosecution to pay, on a private client basis, costs of legally aided defendants who had been acquitted after summary trial for summary offences and an offence triable either way.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Russell and Mr Justice Otton) so stated on March 20, granting an application for judicial review by way of an order of *certiorari* to quash an order of Oxford City Justices that the police pay £2,085 costs to three legally aided defendants who had been acquitted following summary trial on charges brought by the police.

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Narayan's show trial

Rudy Narayan, the flamboyant black barrister, is once again due to appear before the Bar Council's professional conduct committee. Four years ago he was suspended for six weeks by the Bar disciplinary tribunal over complaints that he had abused the DPP and his staff. This time Narayan, who is in trouble over cross-examination he conducted when he defended Rastafarians in Birmingham on charges arising from the Handsworth riots, is determined that his case is accorded the status of an international human rights issue. He has written to Mikhail Gorbachov asking for an audience with him in Moscow, and either a Soviet lawyer to defend him or a human rights observer or two from the London embassy to attend his examination. Meanwhile he is anxious but not unduly worried that he is probably Britain's most prosecuted barrister and that his livelihood is once again under threat.

Tongue untied

Lady Jones, Liverpool's first Lord Mayor since the post was abolished under Labour's leadership, has brought an unexpected bonus to the city's health and social services. On a visit to an old people's home in Toxteth last week she was introduced to an elderly resident who, it was believed, had not spoken for four years. Since her visit he has not stopped. Lady Jones was unsurprised by her success. "I always get down on my knees and try to talk to everyone and bring them out of themselves," she says.

● **The Welsh Labour Party might benefit from a maths lesson. In a list of candidates published recently, Neil Kinnock, who was born on March 28, 1942, is described as being 42 years old.**

King's reach

In death the old newspaper warrior Cecil King achieved something for which no living politician dare hope: bringing Ian Paisley, Nicholas Fenn, the British ambassador to Ireland and Daithi O Conaill, former vice-president of Sinn Fein, together in worship. The occasion was this week's memorial service for King at St Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin.

Wider spread

A free glossy poster with pictures and an explanation of the Aids virus in the current edition of *New Scientist* is evidence of the insatiable public demand for information about the disease. Editor Michael Kenward tells me it was produced after a deluge of requests for extra copies of a recent edition of the magazine which included the material featured in the poster.

Gulf of Aidan

Harriet Crawley, the prospective Conservative candidate for Brent East, has already surprised local voters by being unmarried and expecting a baby. Now they are confronted with her particularly opaque biographical leaflet. It reads: "Harriet comes from an intensely political background . . . her father, Aidan, was a junior minister in the first post-war government and later Conservative MP for West Derbyshire." What this does not spell out is that the government in question was Labour. Miss Crawley says: "It is an important point to keep making in Brent. Anyway, Daddy was right to be Labour then because Britain needed a welfare state. It doesn't need to be Labour any more. After the war it would have been hardboiled not to be socialist."

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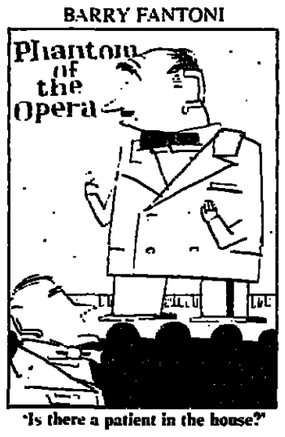

'Is there a patient in the house?'

Field day

Cyril Stein, Ladbrokes' chairman, emerged yesterday as the hero of the extraordinary airline flight from Tel Aviv which raised £45,000 for a little girl's liver transplant before touchdown at Heathrow. As the first of the pledged cheques arrived yesterday to pay for four-year-old Moran Kadosh's operation, fellow passengers who contributed to the whip-round told how Stein took over the intercom to cajole them into bigger donations. Banker Meneham Weber said: "Mr Stein is a very persuasive man. A natural leader." Stein, meanwhile, praised the initiative of Ruth Cohen, a charity worker who alerted him to the plight of Moran's parents, who needed more money to pay for the operation. "It was a very emotional journey. As for taking credit, I deserve five per cent at most," he said.

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Moral qualms over the test-tube twins

by Alex McCall-Smith

The birth of a test-tube baby is no longer front page news, or at least it was not until yesterday. With the announcement of the birth of an infant conceived in vitro 18 months after the birth of a sibling conceived at the same time, we are confronted with an interesting twist of the reproductive revolution. The parents have done nothing particularly spectacular in scientific terms: the mother, Mrs Mary Wright, who had undergone a sterilization operation, sought treatment which in due course produced a number of eggs for fertilization outside her body. Using her husband's sperm, fertilization was effected and the resultant embryos were deep frozen. One of these embryos, when implanted in her womb, resulted in child number one. Child number two was born 18 months later after another embryo had been unfrozen and implanted.

Apart from the fact that the children, although of different ages, are technically twins, the case differs little from any other of in vitro fertilization — a procedure which the Warnock Committee endorsed as a perfectly acceptable method of helping couples to have children. The parents are married, the children have a loving home, no donor of sperm or of an ovum is involved. Yet there is something about this sort of case which should make one stop and think.

One important feature is the fact that the embryos were frozen for a considerable period. If one takes the view that an embryo is, if not a person in the full sense of the word, at least a human entity, then that means that there are human entities stored in somebody's deep freeze. The way we treat human entities may differ from the way we treat recognizable human beings, but they should not be treated as objects. At the least they are entitled to respect, and this respect may entail granting actual or future rights.

In the Wrights' case, the story of their frozen embryos has undoubtedly had the sort of ending which we may assume the embryos, were they capable of thinking, would have wished for themselves. But what about a case where the father dies before the frozen embryo is implanted? This raises the issue of the posthumous child, and here there is an ethical objection from certain quarters.

If one takes the view that every child is entitled to at least the prospect of two parents, then it is ethically wrong to bring into existence a child who is not going to have that chance. This view would therefore exclude the availability of artificial insemination to a single woman, and it would exclude the implantation of an embryo in a woman who has lost her partner.

Parents may change their minds. A case might arise in which the parents of frozen embryos decide that they no longer want children. Are they then entitled to order the destruction of the embryos, or should the embryos be given some sort of protection? If the unimplanted embryo is legally no more than property it can be disposed of by its owner as the owner sees fit. Ideally, if anybody is to be the owner of an embryo, it should be the couple, no matter what contractual arrangements have been entered into with the storing clinic.

Legislation to control in vitro fertilization is already on the Australian statute book. In Victoria, implantation is allowed only if the receiving woman is married and her husband consents. If it proves impossible to implant an embryo in the woman for whom it was originally intended, then it may be used for implantation in another, provided that the embryo's "parents" consent. The Victorian legislation also provides that either partner may withdraw consent to implantation. This is an important provision for a father who might otherwise see himself siring a long procession of children by a woman from whom he may by then have become estranged.

There are those who hold that the embryo should be protected by the law against destruction by its parents. If this position were adopted, it would mean that those storing it would be obliged to implant it in a receptive mother when such a person presented herself. This may be technically feasible, but would impose an impossible obligation on clinics. It is far simpler to conclude that the initial act of fertilization was done with a morally acceptable motive, and that because of changed circumstances the prospective right to implantation which the embryo once enjoyed can no longer be realized. The embryo then becomes something without rights, although it might still be considered human material to which decency should be shown in the manner of disposal.

This will be distasteful to Catholics, among others, who would censure the parents for creating an embryo and then abandoning it. It is, though, a position that can be defended if one takes the view, as I do, that the embryo develops moral status of real significance on implantation within the mother. This is because it is at this stage that the embryo can be seen, as entering the human community, with some, if not all, the rights which go with membership of that community.

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On the anniversary of Chernobyl, Mary Dejevsky assesses a lasting legacy

A Soviet deity dethroned

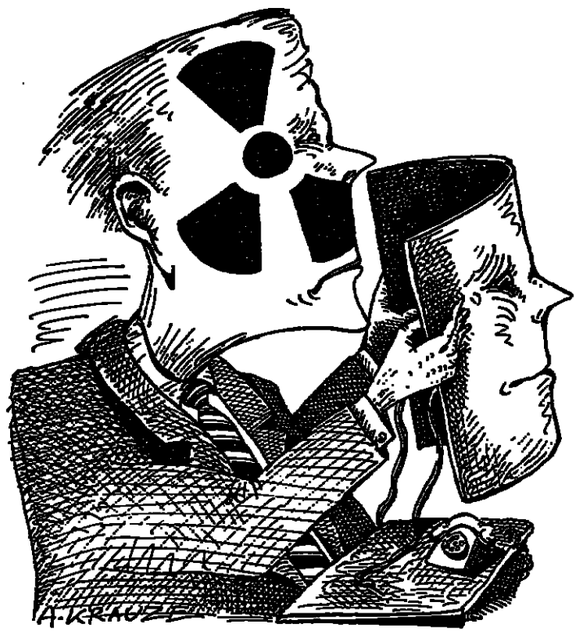
One year ago this weekend an explosion and fire at reactor No 4 of the Chernobyl nuclear power station ended all complacency about the safety of nuclear power. The accident killed 30 people and may, even according to the most conservative estimates, claim another 600 over the next 40 years. It disrupted the lives of thousands living nearby and blighted huge tracts of agricultural land. Chernobyl set back the Soviet Union's extensive nuclear power programme by many years and caused other countries to look anxiously at their own nuclear safety and contingency planning.

These losses are known and well chronicled. Less well known and scarcely chronicled at all is the impact of Chernobyl on morale and attitudes within the Soviet Union. In retrospect, the suffering caused by Chernobyl, the damage inflicted on Soviet prestige around the world — not only by the accident but by Moscow's failure to inform other countries promptly — and the doubts cast on Soviet scientific competence may come to be regarded as contributing to fundamental changes which might not otherwise have come about, at least not so rapidly.

One of the first casualties of Chernobyl, after the truth, was the veneration which has been accorded to science in the Soviet Union ever since the revolution. The very word "science" tends to be spoken with a special reverence, like the name Lenin. "Scientific" is attached to words such as communism, materialism and atheism to give them special validity. Much as a fundamentalist Christian might bring an argument incontrovertibly to an end by saying "It's in the Bible", an argument in the Soviet Union can often be halted with the categorical words, "But it has been scientifically proved".

Nuclear power was favoured by Soviet planners not just because it was a cheap way to fuel the country's energy-thirsty industry, nor yet because the areas requiring most energy were those lacking coal and oil. Nuclear power was also favoured because it was seen as a *scientific* form of energy. And because it was the result of a scientific process, it followed that its safety was beyond doubt.

In the USSR, as in the West, a connection was drawn between nuclear power and nuclear weapons. Public reactions, however — at least before Chernobyl — were quite different. Where the word "nuclear" often inspired fear in the West, in the Soviet Union it tended to evoke pride, pride that Soviet scientists had been able to compete successfully in a technology pioneered by the United States. The accident at Chernobyl has dented this pride irrevocably.



The Soviet adulation of science has had some perverse effects. It has, for instance, given science fiction a special place in Soviet literature — so special that otherwise heretical thoughts have in the past been expressed with impunity within its framework. In the 1960s the writer Andrei Sinyavsky, under his pseudonym Abram Tertz, resorted to science fiction to express social criticism which could not have been published in another form. A decade later the film producer Andrei Tarkovsky used science fiction, in *Solyaris*, to introduce a metaphysical dimension which could have fallen foul of the censor.

At the same time, the respect shown to science and all things scientific has encouraged an interest in pseudo-science which verges on credulousness. There is a fascination with psychic phenomena such as telepathy and second sight and with flying saucers and extraterrestrial life beyond anything in most Western countries. A man in a white coat appearing in the opening sequence of a film bestows a scientific veneer on what follows, ensuring that it will be both popular and believed.

After Chernobyl the beginnings of a change in public attitudes can be perceived. It is not just that the safety of nuclear power — even Soviet nuclear power — can no longer be taken for granted. It is that scientific method and scientific conclusions have lost a little of their mystery and hence their infallibility.

In the play *Sarcophagus*, written by Vladimir Gubarev, the science editor of *Pravda*, soon after the accident and staged subsequently in several Soviet cities and now in London, the pre-eminence of Soviet science is called into question through the figure of the physicist. Challenged to account for the accident, he defends himself by saying that an atomic reaction is miraculous, but that the process has to be watched and controlled responsibly. Science has thus been toppled from the pedestal on which it has stood for decades.

Since Chernobyl the assurance, bordering on arrogance, of the Soviet Union when its scientific competence is challenged has been tempered. Moscow requested foreign assistance to deal with the aftermath of the accident. It submitted a report to the International Atomic Energy Authority which was widely praised for its frankness and for the detail it provided. The conclusions of the report have not been made available in detail to the Soviet public, but even its appearance abroad was progress for a country where nuclear power stations are considered strategic (and therefore secret) objects.

The initial instinct of the Soviet authorities to pin the blame on one or two negligent operators has been modified. Four operators are still due to stand trial, but the design of the power station and the administrative structure which accommodated unauthorized experiments like those which precipitated the accident have subsequently been criticized publicly. Also reported after the accident was a hitherto unmentionable subject: the fear that pervades local officialdom when an accident occurs on their territory. This was probably one reason why reports of the accident were so delayed.

Because of this delay, Chernobyl is sometimes seen as having set back the cause of *glasnost* — that Russian word which has come to mean "openness", in the Western sense of "frankness", without the connotations of publicity coupled with accountability which it carries in Russian. At the time of the accident *glasnost* had barely entered the vocabulary of Gorbachov's Russia.

Chernobyl may, with time, be seen as having demonstrated the need for *glasnost* to the Soviet leadership, for it exposed the dangers of leaving people without the information they need to do their jobs properly — and safely. Only since Chernobyl have the Soviet media given space, or air time, to opposing, even heretical, views of their own country. Mrs Thatcher's television interview was one such event; another was the republication of an appeal made by distinguished Soviet emigrés in the Western press. Joint television programmes have been screened with an American presenter and a Soviet studio audience in which hitherto unmentionable social topics such as sex education and marriage breakdown have been discussed.

Strangely, to Western eyes, such programmes have come in for strong public criticism. Many people in the Soviet Union are unaccustomed to having their country and its wisdom questioned. They regard such questioning as unjustifiably weakening Soviet standing in the world. It will take time for the change in attitudes to filter through.

If the process is not arrested, the Chernobyl disaster may eventually prove to have delivered a healthy corrective to the excessive certainty that has pervaded the official Soviet world view for so long. The credulousness of the Soviet public when confronted with scientific or ideological labels could thereby be reduced, as could the reluctance of the Soviet authorities to acknowledge the appeal of the metaphysical. The result could be a more tolerant society, and hence — from the Western point of view — a more acceptable one.

The uncertainty now starting to affect Soviet attitudes must continue if *glasnost* is to develop further. Soviet journalists, however, are already complaining that information about Chernobyl and its aftermath is being denied them.

Making ethics every manager's business

Recent City scandals have had all the elements of a good whodunnit. But combined with the entertainment value there has been moral outrage that has encouraged a long overdue debate about business ethics.

While the scandals have raised questions about standards of honesty and encouraged calls for tighter controls, they represent only a part of the much wider, if less dramatic, issues facing managers in business and industry all the time. Consider, for example, the following questions:

● Should a company invest in a developing country with a corrupt and despotic regime? Not South Africa, note, just a poor country, badly run, whose people desperately need the jobs?

● What action should a manager take on suspecting (but without positively knowing) that his company or organization is breaking the law? When exactly is whistle-blowing justified?

● At what stage does the safety level become acceptable for a new product? The law may lay down minimum standards, but how long should testing go on if doubts remain after they have been met? What should happen when delay means that not only profits but jobs are at stake?

● What responsibilities do companies have to their local communities, particularly if an area is almost wholly dependent on a single company? If the operation is shut down, what action should be taken, if any, to mitigate the effects on the workers and the community?

In order to be competitive, it may be considered necessary to match practices of foreign firms which would normally be unethical here. Does that mean that anything goes? If not, where should the line be drawn?

Most managers faced with any of these situations will not deliberately choose to behave unethically. More likely, they will struggle to negotiate some acceptable compromise, but as the examples make clear, a compromise may force them into unethical behaviour.

Where, then, can the manager turn for guidance? Some organizations try to give guidance through codes of practice, but these tend to avoid uncomfortable ambiguities. Managers are told to look after the best interests of the company in general, the shareholders, the workforce, the customer, suppliers, the community, Uncle Tom Cobley and all. They are not told what to do when the interests of two groups do not coincide.

Anyway, codes or rules alone cannot provide an answer. Unlike dishonesty, most of the issues are a complex mixture of ethics and economics. The result involves uncomfortable trade-offs. Rules provide only the starting-point for approaching the intricacies of each situation: skill is needed in applying them.

Training in conventional management disciplines such as finance and marketing is regarded as normal, but managers are not being prepared for ethical dilemmas. In Britain, national reticence also means that such matters are often regarded as too embarrassing for open discussion. Organizational cultures reinforce this by confusing uncertainty with indecisiveness.

So most managers muddle along hoping for the best, often cutting corners if there is a conflict with career interest. In the United States, by contrast, the issues are widely discussed. Helping to prepare material for a new course in business ethics at the London Business School, I found nearly 2,000 entries from the US for a bibliography, but only 40 from Britain.

There are some signs of change. An Institute of Business Ethics has recently been formed, and Business in the Community, an organization that helps industry and commerce look at the wider aspects of their relationship to the community, has greatly helped to raise awareness. However, a more systematic educational approach is needed.

Business ethics is already an accepted part of most business school courses in the US and should be part of the training of every manager here. In itself, such training will not convert the corrupt into the virtuous. But it should give managers access to a body of knowledge and create a climate in which organizations are better able to make informed judgements.

Andrew Likierman

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John Rae

Blinded by the Nazis

One of the most harmful legacies of Nazism is our belief that racialism is the highest form of evil. Because we are still in the grip of this moral distortion, our stand on human rights is liable to be inconsistent and hypocritical.

This unfashionable thought surfaced again this week when I learnt that a private individual in the United States is proposing to start legal proceedings against Pol Pot. There is little chance of Pol Pot appearing before a modern version of the Nuremberg Tribunal because he is protected by the *realpolitik* of East-West relations. No one outside his Khmer Rouge condones the holocaust he inspired in Cambodia, but bringing him to justice is not a priority.

If Pol Pot's victims had been of a different race his ashes would have been scattered on the sea long ago. But his victims were his fellow Cambodians. Twelve years ago this month the Khmer Rouge seized power in Cambodia. This fanatical communist organization ruled the country until driven out by the Vietnamese in January 1979. In that period they exterminated between two and three million out of a population of seven million. At their Gestapo-type HQ, Tuol Sleng, thousands of men, women and children were tortured and summarily executed. Thousands more were worked or beaten to death in the vast labour camps of the new rural Utopia. If you were middle-class, or educated, or just showed signs of independent thought, your chances of survival were small.

In the scale of their slaughter and in their pathological sadism, the Khmer Rouge and the Nazis had much in common. Where they differed — and this is what enables the world to wash its hands of responsibility for charging Pol Pot with crimes against humanity — was in motivation.

The Nazi holocaust was inspired by a belief in racial superiority. The Khmer Rouge holocaust was inspired by a desire to purge Cambodian society of all traces of Western and bourgeois influence. The Paris-educated Pol Pot would no doubt call Robespierre for the defence: "If the mainspring of government in time of peace is virtue, its mainspring in time of revolution is virtue and terror combined: virtue without which terror is squalidly repressive, terror without which virtue lies disarmed."

In other words, Nazi terror in pursuit of racial purity was squalidly repressive while Khmer Rouge terror in pursuit of political purity was necessary and therefore goes unpunished.

It is this cynical logic that the Nazi legacy tempts us to accept. Because they were ideologically bankrupt, the Nazis have encouraged us to turn a blind eye to crimes against humanity that are committed in the name of "virtue"; and because they were racists, they have persuaded us that racial repression must by definition be more evil than political or religious repression.

The result is that our concern for human rights is selective. The most obvious example is South Africa. Nothing that the South African government has done to enforce its racialist policies remotely compares for sheer evil with the methods used by the Khmer Rouge to enforce its political policies. Even the United Nations Commission on Human Rights recognizes that what happened in Cambodia was the most serious violation of human rights since Nazism.

Yet while South Africa is the pariah of the international community, Pol Pot's Khmer Rouge is internationally recognized as the legitimate government of what is now called Kampuchea and may well return to power if the Vietnamese withdraw.

To argue in these terms is to risk being called a racist. My way home from the office takes me past South Africa House in Trafalgar Square, where for several months a noisy picket has been demanding the release of Nelson Mandela. I asked one of the participants whether he would also demand the trial of Pol Pot. He had never heard of him. We should not be surprised. Pol Pot is not a racist. He is merely a Marxist who used genocide to restructure a bourgeois society. As I walked away a strident voice shouted abuse through a loudhailer at my retreating figure.

The source of that young man's ignorance and of our hypocrisy over human rights is a confusion between disease and symptom. Racialism is not a disease. It is just a symptom of man's inhumanity to man.

Rabbi Hugo Gryn tells a Jewish story. A prisoner in a concentration camp is told by the commandant that his life will be spared if he can tell which is the commandant's glass eye. The prisoner guesses correctly. "How did you know?" asks the commandant. "Because in that eye," is the reply, "there is just a hint of compassion."

The disease that leads to abuses of human rights is not racialism but the dead eye that allows us to look on other people's suffering without compassion. It is the same disease whether the symptoms take the form of religious, political or racial bigotry. But we shall never succeed in controlling the disease as long as we concentrate our outrage on just one symptom.

For 40 years the Nazis have dictated and distorted our approach to human rights. It is time they were consigned to history, where their racial genocide is not forgotten but placed on a par with religious genocide, such as that of the Turks against the Armenians, and political genocide such as that of the Khmer Rouge.

That may save us from falling into the same trap as Voltaire and the *philosophes* of the Enlightenment, who believed that if religious bigotry could be eradicated all would be sweetness and light. We should not need to be reminded how wrong they were.

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Henry Stanhope

A fourth R we can do without

I switched on Radio 4 the other night and heard a group of schoolboys complaining because their teachers kept going on strike. It would never have happened in my day.

In the first place our teachers would never have gone on strike; in the second, we would never have complained if they had.

Our school staff would not have gone on strike had the government halved their pay, cancelled their holidays, charged them for chalk or made them come in on Saturday to clean the windows

There were mornings when, before facing double algebra or a bewildering hour in the chemistry lab, I stared through the window at a leaden sky and solemnly prayed for rain: not just any old rain, but tempests of such ferocity and force that they constituted an act of God. Or perhaps we could have some snow — piling up in deep drifts, Persil-white and clinging, in which cars would spin like Catherine wheels and bury themselves for weeks.

There were indeed times when my prayers seemed to have been answered, when the gutters ran with deep brown country rain and the Severn burst its banks, streaming through the streets and dividing the town in two. But it never stopped our lot coming to school.

Our teachers would have journeyed through floods of such fast-flowing depths that Noah himself would have stayed below decks with the animals. They piloted their Morris Minors, the seats piled high with exercise books, through snows so crisp and even that Wenceslas would have leaned through the window and told yonder peasant the way to the social security. A squadron of tanks might have stopped them, given supporting artillery, and infantry to cover their flanks. But short of that, I cannot think of anything that might have done so.

Our masters did not eat or still less drink, have mortgages, affairs or gambling debts, have accidents in their cars, or chicken pox or 'flu, or suffer from the other human frailties. They were wrapped in a professional ethic that protected them from weakness. Like Wells Fargo they always got through.

So what has gone wrong? I will tell you. I blame it all on the Parent-Teacher Association.

Now you might consider parent-teacher associations to be fairly innocent organizations, invented by fond parents for the protection of their offspring; or by a school because it coveted a minibus — much as a football club relies upon its supporters' association raffles to save it from virtual bankruptcy.

They have had the unfortunate effect, however, of importing lesser mortals, and their habits, into places that were better off without them. I have always believed in rendering unto Caesar what is Caesar's — and in regarding that land behind the school railings as Hither Gaul. Home is home and school is school and the gap between the two is best left unbridged (except in Haringey or Brent, where educational progress has been put back 150 years).

My son briefly attended an elementary school where a mistress actually boasted to the wretched PTA that the school door was always open to parents. Now I could have told her that what you are most likely to get from leaving the front door open is a draught — and one which might prove difficult to get rid of.

This school even went so far as to invite mothers in to help the teachers out, for reasons which I never understood (given that a shortage of teachers was not what it seemed to be suffering from). Now if I had a bunch of doting mothers wandering through my classroom when I was struggling to teach reading, writing and arithmetic to a bunch of revolutionary six-year-olds who had other ideas about how best to spend their mornings, I would have driven them out like the money-changers from the temple.

The effect of all this mingling has been to give everyone "rights". We have teachers' rights, councillors' rights, parents' rights and pupils' rights . . . Now too many rights make a wrong and the sooner we can separate the contestants we might start returning to normal again.

TIMES PAST THE TIMES

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A SECRET LIFE

In 1979 the Prime Minister established a tradition of candour by her revelation that the late Anthony Blunt was a traitor. Mrs Thatcher now says that the late Sir Maurice Oldfield, the head of MI6, was a homosexual.

Her own relationship to the two cases is very different. She bore no share of the blame for Blunt. His treason prospered under other Prime Ministers. Oldfield was the man whom she herself brought out of retirement to take charge of security in Northern Ireland.

The terms "homosexual" and "security risk" are not synonymous, and there is too much of a tendency to treat them as such. But, until the climate of opinion about homosexuality changes irrevocably, a secret homosexual is by definition a security risk if he is a member of a secret service, let alone its head. It must be assumed that Mrs Thatcher would not have sent Oldfield to Northern Ireland had she known of his homosexuality, just as earlier Prime Ministers would not have consented to his being put in charge of M16 if they had known.

So Mrs Thatcher was responsible for appointing a security risk to the most insecure part of the United Kingdom. In a way, that made her candour of yesterday all the more admirable. It must have been a difficult admission to make.

Fortunately for her, the public probably does not regard Prime Minsters as being directly responsible for what goes on in the security services. It is widely assumed that nearly everyone is deceiving nearly everyone else in that dark world. In such matters she is seen — rightly — as being in the hands of experts.

She would not have decided to recall Oldfield in 1979 of her own accord. She would have taken advice — especially since she had only just become Prime Minister. She would have asked people about him. Did those whose duty it was to advise her (whoever they were) not know of Oldfield's homosexuality? Did they know, but not tell her. Either way, she was ill-served.

Those are only a few of the questions raised by her statement yesterday. It raises questions in virtually every sentence. "Subsequently (to Oldfield being sent to Ulster) reports were received which caused his postive vetting clearance to be reviewed". Reports about what? From whom?

"In March, 1980, in the course of that review, he made an admission that he had from time to time engaged in homosexual activities". Over what period? With whom? Sordid questions, on the face of it. But not when the man concerned was head of MI6.

What event, or events, caused reports to be received which resulted in the review of his positive vetting? Mr Chapman Pincher says it was police discoveries that male prostitutes were visiting Oldfield's London flat. There have also been hints of Oldfield having been engaged in similar activities in Ulster — activities which would have been of great interest to the IRA or Protestant para-militaries.

Had he consorted with male prostitutes when he was head of MI6? Admittedly, that does not follow. It is possible that he had led a largely celibate life, or had formed relatively stable liasons. But, if he had used male prostitutes, did no one in the security services discover it? If not, why not? Their profession is supposed to be about finding out such things.

There is now a strong possibility that one of the most important intelligence officers of the post-war period was lying throughout his career. The lie, if it was one, ran at many levels. It may not have involved the telling of an untruth. But, if not, his very silence was a lie nonetheless.

He was head of the organisation (MI6) concerned with positive vetting of Government officials. One of the questions Government officials are asked is whether they are homosexuals. The answer "yes" does not disqualify them from being given a job. But the security services like to know these things. Did Oldfield, when head of MI6, ever have to answer that question. If so, what was his answer?

There is no suggestion that Oldfield would have betrayed his country. Indeed, it is known that he gave it much service. When his apparently secret life became known, he admitted it. That does not make any less disturbing what seems to have gone before.

MR BOTHA'S EMPTY PROMISES

The violence which has flared anew in the past few days in Johannesberg and its satellite black townships will probably mean a few thousand more votes for President Botha in the coming election. His leadership, which has abandoned its reformist past, has little now to offer the white electorate except to play on its fears of black insurrection. By shooting workers on strike it parades its determination to maintain order, if not law, at all costs.

In his battle to curtail the growth of his extreme right-wing opponents there can be little doubt, therefore, that a grim good fortune favours Mr Botha. South Africa's sullen peace does not seem close to a more general breakdown.

Black South Africans have seen their strength tested and found wanting in the face of the Government's power and determination to use it. They have discovered after two years of bloodshed that the revolution is not around the corner. Radical leaders have found it ever more difficult to maintain among an exhausted people that level of zeal which kept workers at home, children out of school and the black community on the rack for more than two years.

The strike by transport workers appears to be part of a new phase in the struggle for black rights, one in which specific programmes of sporadic and largely industrial action will take the place of general violence. It has been aggravated by Petoria's inability to cope with black unions and by the matching inability of its police to meet provocation with anything but bullets and whips.

The possibility that this week's tragic events in Johannesberg could once again light the fires of unrest across the country can never be discounted. It seems more likely, however, that the country has entered a period of sporadic violence in which black protest can be curtailed but not entirely crushed.

All of this may help Mr Botha to woo supporters of the far right back into the National Party but it does nothing to address the concerns of thoseamong the Afrikaner elite who have emerged from the folds of the National Party to issue the most direct challenge to his leadership in this election.

Whether or not South Africa's former ambassador to London, Dr Denis Worrall, or his fellow independents and erstwhile nationalists Esther Lategan and Wynand Malan win victories, their candidacies have been the focus of a deep and growing disaffection with President Botha among Afrikaner academics, business leaders, churchmen and young professionals.

In 1983 it was this elite, together with a large slice of the English-speaking community, that provided the core of Mr Botha's support. Today English-speaking South Africa and the Afrikaner elite are united once again but by a deep sense of betrayal. They see that Mr Botha has failed to meet his promises and instead revealed his own severe limitations as a leader.

Those limitations always lurked behind the reformist zeal of his early years in power. But, coupled with his aggressive manner and his apparent retreat behind the barricades of an isolated office, they have become a major factor in this election.

In an address in the heartland of Afrikaner dissidence this week Mr Botha tried once again to give a reformist gloss to his words. But his failure to provide specifics, the action of his police against the striking workers a few hours earlier and his promise to remain in office until his term ends in 1989 will have done little to allay their fears.

Such is the depth of dismay over the Botha factor in this section — a dismay which is apparently shared by members of his cabinet — that his promise to serve out his term may well prove as empty as the others he has made in recent years. President Botha will certainly win the election, albeit with a reduced majority, but as his party chiefs watch the brightest and the best of Afrikanerdom move into open revolt against his leadership, he could well lose his personal battle to stay in power for two more years.

THE RIGHT MAN TO HOLD THE RING

The recruitment of Mr Robert Alexander QC, one of the most outstanding practising baristers of the day, to head the City Takeover Panel, is no routine appointment. It is intended to change the role of his quintessentially self-regulating body in the new, more challenging, City environment.

The scandals that have racked the securities markets over recent months display a combination of personal and impersonal factors. The rise of the takeover industry — the source of nearly all the scandals — stems in part from greater competition among managers of share portfolios to maximize their short-term performance. City institutional managers are often ill-fitted by temperament to create ructions in the boardrooms of indifferently run companies. They prefer bold financiers to exercise discipline over managers on their behalf through the impersonal takeover bid.

The Panel's province is to hold the ring in takeover battles to ensure that shareholders are treated fairly and companies given a fair chance to argue their case. As the continuing revelations over the Guinness case reveal, all has not been going smoothly.

That is in part because the Panel's Code of Practice has not caught up with the latest sophistications of the takeover industry. It has now been revised in detailed ways. Rather more, it stems from a progressive erosion of the Panel's authority.

The Panel's competence has remained high. But an institution which had attained, and been used to, unquestioning obedience under that formidable lawyer Lord Shawcross in the Seventies, may have become a little complacent.

Under the pressure of competition and more impersonal corporate management, some City merchant banks and stockbrokers (as well as their clients) have lost that sense of common interest and personal responsibility which upholds the rules of a self-regulating club. They had increasingly abided by the letter rather than the spirit of the rules.

Once that happens, it is hard to reverse. As we pointed out at the time, it was a rare mistake in the Financial Services Act to exclude the Takeover Panel (and equally the Lloyd's insurance market) from the new two-tier system of self-regulation. It is too late to correct that quickly. As Mr Alexander was being appointed, the draft order to vest powers under the Act in the Securities and Investments Board was being laid in Parliament. Without further changes, the new system will only come into effect near the end of this year.

There are two alternatives: to vest the Panel (or its sponsor the Bank of England) with statutory powers, which seems inappropriate for such a body, or more practically, to demand obedience to its rulings be written into the rulebooks of the new City organizations to be supervised by the SIB.

That, however, will not fully solve the problem. This City headmaster has suffered a loss of authority. Mr Alexander's intellect and formidable presentation of a case are familiar to many in the City.He will be backed by two new experienced and wily deputy chairmen. They will want to maintain efficiency and good judgement in complex, fast moving bids. But they will have the less tangible but equally important job of restoring a proper fear of the Takeover Panel among those who do business in the City.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Composition of ferry inquiry

From Mr David Steel, QC

Sir, As counsel instructed to present the evidence to the forthcoming inquiry into the Zeebrugge ferry disaster, may I respond to Dr G. F. Wood's complaint (April 20) that it is absurd to appoint a High Court judge to head the tribunal.

First, it is *not* simply a technological investigation. Questions of fault and of criticism may arise. Those that may be at risk, I feel sure, would not welcome such matters being assessed purely by scientists or technologists, however eminent.

Second, Dr Wood is under a misapprehension if he thinks that Mr Justice Sheen is the only member of the court. He will have four assessors of considerable distinction, namely Dr Ewan Corlett, OBE, PhD, FEng, FRINA, Mr C. A. Sinclair, FRINA, FIMarE, Captain E. G. Venables, FNI, and Commodore G. G. Greenfield, RD, FNI.

Third, the observation that there might be a need to adjourn the inquiry while technical material was absorbed by counsel was not made because of the difficulty of absorbing it. The reason is that there is a possibility of delay in completing some of the research because the inquiry may well have already started before the wreck has been thoroughly surveyed.

It is, I hope, a matter worthy of note that Mr Justice Sheen has required that the investigation get under way faster than any marine inquiry since the Titanic. Like the appointment of a judge to chair the inquiry into that dreadful tragedy, the appointment of a judge to head the latest court is most welcome.

Yours faithfully,
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April 22.

Election fever

From Professor C. W. Nobes

Sir, I seriously doubt the arguments in Patrick Cosgrave's call (feature, April 14) for fixed-term parliaments in the UK.

Under the current system we have a limbering up for a general election for some months but no full campaign until the last few weeks, after a definite election date has been announced. Parties cannot risk full campaigns while the date is uncertain, because of fears of peaking too soon and of running out of money.

Although there are important transatlantic differences in political systems, the fixed-term US system hardly offers an example of reduced lame-duckery or electioneering. With fixed-term parliaments the election date is always certain, so there is a *greater* danger of lame-duck periods of parliament and of lengthy full-scale electioneering. There is, of course, also the problem of minority governments, as mentioned in the article. On balance, the case for fixed-term parliaments in the UK seems weak.

Yours faithfully,
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April 15.

Aids research

From Mr Clive Hollands

Sir, Your report (April 16) on statements made by the leading French Aids researcher, Professor Luc Montagnier, referred [in earlier editions] to the bequest amounting to £30m received by the Pasteur Institute from the sale of the late Duchess of Windsor's jewels.

Your report and the accompanying in-depth article, "Racing to kill a killer", referred correctly to chimpanzees as being the only animals found suitable for testing the effectiveness of a vaccine although even when infected with the HIV virus, only some chimpanzees develop antibodies and none have developed the disease itself.

For the record, since your report did not mention it, it should be stated that the late Duchess's bequest to the Pasteur Institute was subject to a condition that none of the money should be used directly or indirectly to support research on animals.

Hopefully, rather than being an impediment to research, this humane provision will act as a stimulus in seeking a more effective way of fighting this modern-day scourge.

Yours faithfully,
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April 16.

Crash barriers

From the Minister for Roads and Traffic

Sir, Your report of April 4, "Official cover-up claimed over crash barriers on M-ways" was misleading in its reference to a Transport Road and Research Laboratory report (RR 75) purporting to disclose that many miles of motorway safety fences are defective. It omits to point out that the report in question concludes that the fences inspected were generally performing better in accidents than would be expected from our specification, or to make any reference to results of recent research showing that safety fences are very effective in reducing casualties.

We are not treating the matter of misshapen post footings lightly. Specific checks are being carried out during major carriageway maintenance giving access to safety fences. These checks are in addition to normal routine maintenance requirements. Any action taken on a wider scale will need to continue to reflect properly the conclusions of TRRL research, the results of our inspections and the fact that additional lane closures would themselves introduce an increased risk of accidents.

Information on safety fences has been made public and further available information will also be made public.

Yours faithfully,
PETER BOTTOMLEY,
Department of Transport,
2 Marsham Street, SW1.
April 9.

Cutting the ground from under opera

From Sir Michael Tippett, OM, CH

Sir, As Hon President of the Kent Opera Company I was greatly alarmed to discover that on April 29 a proposal will be placed before the Arts Council of Great Britain recommending that this company should receive no further financial subsidy from a year hence. Naturally, I wish to make known my opposition to this proposal.

I was, of course, less surprised by the proposal when I read that the opera working party reporting to the Arts Council's touring board had based its recommendations on economics, not on artistic quality. That seems to me the essence of the situation. There has never been anything wrong with an injection of business sense into the arts. But to operate as if one were dealing with a collection of companies, to be sustained or disposed of merely in terms of economic viability, seems to me misguided.

An organisation like Kent Opera is far more than the economics of its productions in the course of a season (even though its average 80 per cent attendance and mere £25,000 deficit attest to its achievement on that level alone). Through a continuing expansion of its repertory and the essential back-up of a well-organised education programme, this company is stimulating and sustaining interest in music and the theatre over a wide area of the population. Does the council really imagine that such energy and vision can be replaced overnight by simply extending the touring activities of another company?

The fact is that the Arts Council is now reaping the consequences of its failure in recent years to stand up for the artists whose cause it is supposed to represent, and whose work is concerned with values other than those measurable in economic terms.

Sir, I am old enough to recall what it was like to be an aspiring composer in the decades before the Arts Council came into existence and I pay tribute here to what has been achieved since then. I should not want the clock turned back now, with lack of adequate finance as the main excuse.

I must remind those in the higher echelons of the council of a prediction I made to them personally three years ago. I said that if they did not argue the case for their clients in other than economic terms, and they were faced with loss of grant, then the clients would cease to work together as they should and simply fight their own individual corners. This is exactly what is happening now with the regional opera companies. They are all starved of funds. They all have international reputations to keep alive. And they can only stay the course at each others' expense.

This is a deplorable state of affairs. Thus, in asking the Arts Council to weigh carefully the proposals being made to them in relation to Kent Opera, I am equally aware of the situation of many other groups in the regions. Unlike those in the metropolis, they find it difficult to raise alternative funds from the private sector. Their work nevertheless deserves sensitive, sympathetic treatment and should not be wilfully and constantly put at risk.

Ultimately, I can well see that the answer lies not with the Arts Council but with the government in power. Let me therefore suggest to my colleagues that in election year we have an opportunity to show that there really are votes in the arts. And if, indeed, the political parties can be persuaded to include in their manifestos a clear statement as to their valuation of the arts, then every one of us can respond accordingly at the ballot box.

Yours faithfully,
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April 20.

Teachers' duties

From Mrs Dorothy Shaw

Sir, As a retired headteacher I do not understand why members of the NUT are so opposed to attainment tests for children. Surely teachers already use similar methods of assessment for each child so that they know whether the child has fully understood one process before proceeding to the next more complicated step.

It is not like the 11-plus, where children were considered to have passed or failed, but a methodical way of selecting those children who need more help and encouragement to understand the basic subjects.

What are the teachers so afraid of? Are they so lacking in confidence in their own skills that they are afraid that the results will reflect their own inadequacies?

Yours faithfully,
DOROTHY SHAW,
7 Bradfield Avenue,
Buckingham.
April 20.

From Mr Alun R. Thomas

Sir, Whilst reading the articles today (April 21) concerning teachers' guidelines, I paused to calculate my hours for last term. Forced upon me by a dictatorial head? No, voluntarily offered for the children, apart from the lessons, obviously.

Monday: Six 35-minute lessons; girls' choir practice, 50 minutes; game, 45 minutes; play rehearsal, 90 minutes.
Tuesday: Six 35-minute lessons; woodwind group, 45 minutes; play rehearsal, 90 minutes.
Wednesday: Five 35-minute lessons; game, 45 minutes; four-part choir practice, 60 minutes; play rehearsal, 75 minutes.
Thursday: Seven 35-minute lessons; girls' choir practice, 45 minutes; game, 45 minutes; woodwind group, 30 minutes; play rehearsal, 90 minutes; prep supervision, 45 minutes.
Friday: Three 35-minute lessons; orchestra practice, 45 minutes.
Saturday: Five 35-minute lessons; game, 45 minutes; duty master from 7.30am to 9.30pm.
Sunday: Choir practice, 30 minutes; church service, 45 minutes; play rehearsal, 150 minutes.

My wife and I also took a party of children to France for a week in the holidays (182 hours in fact). I, and my colleagues, mark and prepare sometimes, too!

Exploited? No, fulfilled.

Yours faithfully,
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April 21.

From Mr M. E. Roach

Sir, You report today (April 21) that the teaching unions are to advise their members to work no more than 1,265 hours per year.

My 12-year-old daughter, at present attending a State middle school and the junior department of one of the London music colleges, estimates that she devotes around 1,700 hours per year to work in school, homework and music. Her elder sisters confirm that they would not now be at unviversity had they worked to the rules the teachers are proposing.

How do the teachers expect to retain the respect of their pupils given this discrepancy between the time each is prepared to devote to education?

Yours faithfully,
M. E. ROACH,
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April 21.

From Mr V. D. Dennison

Sir, In line with inflation, as the phrase goes, my teacher's pension was increased this month by 2.10 per cent. The net payment was £387.21 (this after nearly 40 years of service), an increase of 34p on my March payment.

My rate bill also arrived this week — an increase of under 2 per cent, we were happily informed by a laughing cartoon face. But my rate bill has gone up by £1.21 a month.

How does one keep up with inflation?

Yours faithfully,
V. DENNISON,
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April 19.

Change of church

From the Bishop of Arundel and Brighton

Sir, Your correspondent, the Rev Chad Varah (April 17), questions the sensitivity of the Roman Catholic Church's decision to ordain unconditionally to the priesthood two former clergymen of the Church of England.

The mutual recognition of the ministries of our two Communions is amongst the matters confided by Pope John Paul and the Archbishop of Canterbury to ARCIC (Anglican Roman Catholic International Commission) II, in their joint declaration of May, 1982, "for study with a view to their eventual resolution". That commission, with Bishop Santer and myself as co-chairmen, is carrying out its mandate at the present time. This fact in itself represents an important step forward. Until our findings have been reported and accepted, current regulations remain in force.

The founders of ARCIC II urged that our work be supported by fervent prayer and a spirit of collaboration. No matter how deep personal feelings, emotive language is unlikely to help to achieve the resolution we ardently desire. Nor, I submit, would it have helped to leave these former clergymen without the ministry they earnestly seek whilst this question of mutual recognition is debated.

Yours faithfully,
†CORMAC MURPHY-O'CONNOR,
St Joseph's Hall,
Storrington,
Pulborough, Sussex.
April 21.

In the blood

From Mr Gershon Ellenbogen

Sir, "Genetic 'fingerprinting' " is surely both a clumsy and an inaccurate expression for tests which "enable individual genetic characteristics to be identified from blood and saliva samples" (report, April 21).

Why not "geneprinting"?

I am etc,
GERSHON ELLENBOGEN,
9 Montagu Square, W1.
April 21.

ON THIS DAY

APRIL 24 1913

Attempts to set up a national theatre were frustrated by the two world wars. In 1937 Bernard Shaw got as far as turning the first sod on a site opposite the Victoria and Albert Museum, but it was 1976 before the National Theatre was officially opened on a new site on the South Bank. Mr Mackinder's private Bill failed because fewer than the required 100 voted for it

A National Theatre.

As might have been expected, the discussion in the House of Commons last night over MR. MACKINDER'S motion for State countenance and support of a National Theatre was discursive and inconclusive. Members paraded their personal prejudices about our more recondite dramatists from BROWNING and TENNYSON to MR. GALSWORTHY and MR. ZANGWILL, and ransacked the Continent for good examples from Berlin to Budapest. The truth is that Parliament is not the most congenial atmosphere for discussing the drama, or indeed any other of the arts. Facts and figures are more in place there than the elusive creatures and the airy nothings of the dramatist's imagination. The three unities cannot be brought into any sort of relation to the twelve o'clock rule. SHAKESPEARE cannot catch the Speaker's eye. Though Select Committeemen have been known to reincarnate Dogberry with some success, an aesthetic appreciation of that or any other character is hardly to be expected from them . . .

But it will be said that this question of State aid for a National Theatre is an eminently practical question. So, to be sure, it is, and one of absorbing interest to architects. They are all hoping that the Office of Works will not get the building of it, and we share their hope. It would never do for the National Theatre to resemble the General Post Office. MR. MACKINDER and his friends profess to have an excellent site in view, but prefer to keep it secret. Some wiseacres indicate the south side of the Thames; but if it is put there it is like to be not a theatre but a cenotaph. The weak point of the whole scheme, however, has nothing to do with architecture. It is that the promoters are beginning at the wrong end — making a repository before they have goods to fill it. The medieval passion for building cathedrals was a sequel, not a preliminary, to the conversion of the populations to Christianity. Before the nation provides a National Theatre it should see that it secures a National Drama. The theatre will then come, almost unbidden. Wherever drama flourishes it makes its own home as naturally as birds build their own nests. The elder DUMAS asked only for two boards, two trestles, and a passion. STENDHAL declared that the best Shakespearian performance he had ever seen was given by some ragged Italian strollers in a wayside barn. There was a Comédie Française before there was ever a Théâtre Français. A year or two ago all the millionaires in New York clubbed together to build a National American Theatre. It was a beautiful monument in a delightful situation, with a choice company of players, a "high-brow" director, a literary adviser, all complete. But it was soon closed, and remains closed, for the simple reason that no National American Drama has been forthcoming to put in it. Here, however, it is necessary to distinguish. The movement which led to last night's debate is, as most people know, the combination of two others, a Shakespeare Memorial movement and a National Theatre movement. The first part of this combined scheme we can understand; indeed, we have consistently advocated it. Whatever may be thought or hoped or feared about our future drama, there is no question about SHAKESPEARE; he exists, he is a fact. It is our duty to get him worthily housed . . .

There is a proverb of Sancho Panza's quoting:-"The house is finished and death enters." It is of no use building a mausoleum or a museum of stillborn curiosities. Not that our contemporary drama is dead; indeed, it is giving some hopeful signs of life. But theatres, bricks and mortar, have nothing to do with it. Committees, sub-committees, public meetings, honorary secretaries, fancy balls cannot help it. Art, as we have pointed out, is an individual thing. It happens; no man knows why or wherefore . . .

Chirpy to the last

From Sir Andrew Gilchrist

Sir, Your correspondent, Mr Eric Lowden (April 21) may care to be reminded that the thrushes sang late in Dumfries-shire in about 1790:

Hark, the mavis' evening sang
Sounding Clouden's woods amang;
Then a-faulding let us gang,
My bonnie Dearie.

When I last visited Linkluden Abbey, it was an April evening and Burns's thrush was still singing by the ruined walls.

Yours faithfully,
ANDREW GILCHRIST,
Hazelbank, By Lanark.

In praise of aunts

From Mr David Conway

Sir, Desirous of thanking my sister for her devotion beyond the call of duty in taking my son to the theatre, I sought in vain for the female equivalent of "avuncular". I would be grateful if any of your readers could advise as to how to characterize the nature of an aunt — we have rejected "tantric" as unsuitable.

Yours truly,
DAVID CONWAY,
126 Green Dragon Lane, N21.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
April 23: The Duke of York, Patron of the Hearing and Speech Trust, this morning visited the Institute of Laryngology and Otology, Gray's Inn Road, EC1.

His Royal Highness was received by the President of the Trust (the Right Hon Jack Ashley, MP).

Afterwards The Duke of York visited Irvin Great Britain Ltd, at Letchworth.

His Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Hertfordshire (Mr Simon Bowes-Lyon), the Chairman of the Company (Sir Paul Wright) and the Managing Director (Mr Gordon Eastley).

The Duke of York this evening attended the Honourable Artillery Company's St George's Dinner at Armoury House, London, EC1 and was admitted as a Member of the Company.

His Royal Highness was received by the Colonel Commandant and President (General Sir Richard Trant).

Wing Commander Adam Wise was in attendance.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Master of the Worshipful Company of Carmen, this afternoon attended the Company's Court Meeting and afterwards the Court Dinner with the Royal Corps of Transport at Clothworkers' Hall, London, EC3.

Mrs Charles Ritchie was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
April 23: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon opened the Theatre Museum at Covent Garden, this evening.

Lady Aird was in attendance.

April 23: The Duke of Gloucester, President, National Association of Boys' Clubs, today visited Boys' Clubs in Sussex.

His Royal Highness, who was attended by Lt-Col Sir Simon Bland, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
April 23: Princess Alexandra and the Hon Angus Ogilvy were present this evening at a Reception held to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of Community Service Volunteers at St James's Palace.

Her Royal Highness and Mr Ogilvy later attended a St George's Day Gilbert and Sullivan Concert arranged by the Gilbert and Sullivan Friends of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, at the Royal Festival Hall.

Birthdays today

Field Marshal Lord Carver, 72; Mr Justice Caulfield, 73; the Marquess of Cholmondeley, 68; Sir Gordon Cox, chemist, 81; Mr Clement Freud, MP, 63; Dame Helen Gardiner, 86; Admiral Sir Rae McKaig, 65; Miss Shirley Maclaine, actress, 53; Mr Joseph Rank, president, Rank Hovis McDougall, 69; Miss Bridget Riley, artist, 56; Miss Barbra Streisand, singer and actress, 45; Mr John Williams, guitarist, 46.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.H.R. Whitehead and Miss E.C. Milne Home
The engagement is announced between Pip, son of Sir Rowland and Lady Whitehead, of Sutton House, Chiswick Mall, London W4, and Emma, daughter of Captain A.M.D. Milne Home, RN (retd), of Sydney, Australia, and of Mrs T.D. Cooper, and stepdaughter of Mr T.D. Cooper, of Preston Candover, Hampshire.

Mr P.R.K. Beaumont and Miss S. Harrison
The engagement is announced between Peter, elder son of the late Mr R.J.K. Beaumont, of Worthing, Sussex, and Mrs J. Beaumont, of Worcester, and Sarah, daughter of Surgeon Captain and Mrs J.R. Harrison, of Swanmore, Hampshire.

Mr D.H. Clough and Miss V.J. Pryor
The engagement is announced between Denis, son of Mr and Mrs Peter Clough, of Hampsthwaite, Yorkshire, and Victoria, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Roderick Pryor, of Weston, Hertfordshire.

Mr R.A. Ellman and Miss R.B. Hurst
The engagement is announced between Robert, son of the late Mr David Ellman and of Mrs Vera Ellman, of Didsbury, Manchester, and Ruth, daughter of Mr Maurice Hurst, of Altrincham, Cheshire, and of the late Mrs Joyce Hurst.

Mr D.R. Glover and Miss L.J.A. Maurice
The engagement is announced between David, son of Mrs J. Glover and the late Mr R.R. Glover, of Haslemere, Surrey, and Laura Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs B.A. Maurice, of Rotherfield, Sussex.

Mr L.E.T. Smith and Miss C.E. Longley
The engagement is announced between Leigh Edward Thomas, youngest son of Mr and Mrs D.W.T. Smith, of Selsdon, Surrey, and Clare Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D.M. Longley, of Folkestone, Kent.

Captain J.P. Moberly and Miss S.G. Wright
The engagement is announced between James Patrick Moberly, The Royal Green Jackets, younger son of Sir Patrick and Lady Moberly, of the British Embassy, Cape Town, and Sarah, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Wright, of Woking, Surrey.

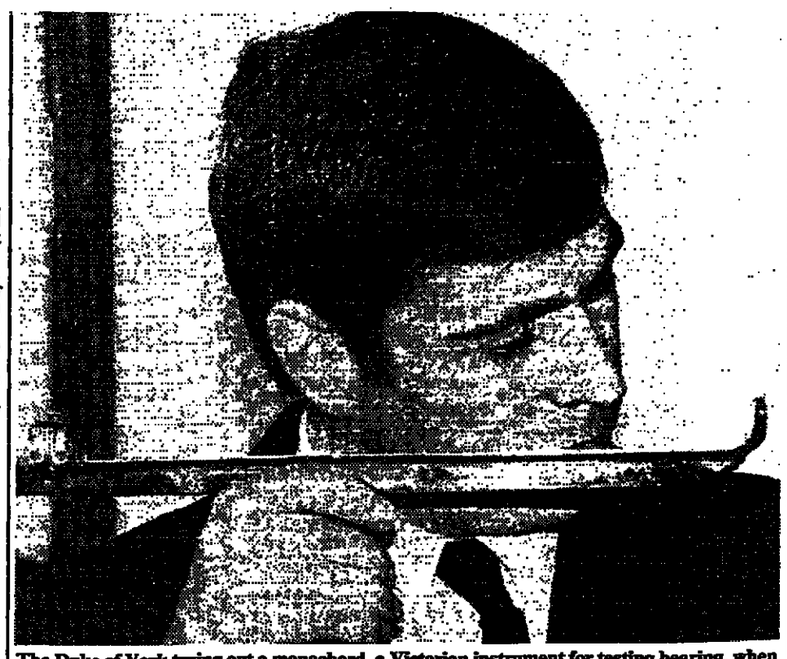
Mr R.W. Hensher and Miss J.C. Candy
The engagement is announced between Robert William, only son of the late Mr W. Hensher and of Mrs E.A. Hensher, of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, and Judith Caroline, younger daughter of Mr J.R. Candy and the late Mrs J.F. Candy, of Hammond Street Farm, Mappowder, Dorset.

Mr D.A. Horton and Miss S.E. Pearson
The engagement is announced between David Andrew, elder son of Mr and Mrs K.B. Horton, of Nailsea, Avon, and Sophie Emma, only daughter of Professor and Mrs J.R.A. Pearson, of Cambridge.

Mr N.J. Ireland and Miss J.M. Wright
The engagement is announced between Nicholas James, youngest son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs R.S.J. Ireland, of Fulham, London, and Juliette Madelaine, only daughter of the late Mr J.J. Wright and Mrs A.Y. Wright, of Crouch End, London.

Mr C.R. Kingsmill and Miss S.J. Fletcher
The engagement is announced between Charles, son of Mr and Mrs Charles Kingsmill, of Wanstead, London, E11, and Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs A.J.V. Fletcher, of South Woodford, London, E18.

Mr C.J. Payne and Miss E.C.F. Barker
The engagement is announced between Christopher, younger son of Mr and Mrs A.J.C. Payne, of Reigate, Surrey, and Emma, younger daughter of Captain and Mrs N.J. Barker, of Gillingham, Dorset.



The Duke of York trying out a monochord, a Victorian instrument for testing hearing, when he visited the headquarters of the Hearing and Speech Trust in London yesterday.

Today's royal engagements

The Duke of Gloucester, president of the International Council on Monuments and Sights, will attend the annual meeting to celebrate International Monuments Day at 7 St James's Square at 3.

The Duchess of Kent will open a residential complex for the Searchlight Workshops, Newhaven, at 11.10; the elderly persons flats at Royal Terrace at 2; and St Michael's Hospice, St Leonards-on-Sea, at 3.

Marriages

The Right Rev D.G. Galliford and Mrs C. Phoenix
The marriage of the Right Rev David Galliford and Mrs Claire Phoenix took place quietly in Manchester Cathedral on Tuesday, April 21.

Mr G. Duff and Miss J. Tremble
Mr Graham Duff and Miss Jacqueline Tremble, both of Chetwode, Buckinghamshire, were married quietly in Las Vegas, Nevada, on April 11, 1987.

Mr D.J. Hill and Miss O.M. Bazalgette
The marriage took place on April 22, 1987, of Mr Daniel Joseph Hill and Miss Olivia Mary Bazalgette, at St Columba's Church, Pont Street, SW1.

Dr S.D. Milligan and Dr H.M. Lovatt
The marriage took place at the Salvation Army Citadel, Thornton Heath, on Saturday, April 18, of Dr Simon Milligan, son of Mr and Mrs D. Milligan, of Kendal, Cumbria, and Dr Heather Lovatt, daughter of Commissioner and Mrs R. Lovatt, of Beckenham, Kent.

Appointments

Latest appointments include:

Mr Charles Bartlett to be president of the Royal Society of Painters in Water-Colours in succession to Mr Maurice Sheppard, who becomes a trustee of the society.

Mr James Keir, joint secretary of Unilever until his retirement in 1984, to be a part-time member of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

Mr Lionel Lennox to be legal adviser to the Archbishop of York and Registrar of the Province and Diocese of York in succession to Mr G.P. Knowles who is retiring.

Mr David James Grant to be Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Durham in succession to Colonel Hugh Kirton.

Major-General Henry Gabriel Woods to be Vice Lord-Lieutenant of North Yorkshire.

Luncheon

Crosby Hall
Miss Barbara Harris, chairman of the governors of Crosby Hall, was host at a luncheon held at Crosby Hall yesterday. Among those present were:
The Master of the Grocers' Company, Mr C P G Chavasse, Mr J Penstone, Mr A G Grant, Miss D J Dawson, Mrs V Rubinstein and Mrs M Klum.

Reception

Community Service Volunteers
Princess Alexandra was present at a silver jubilee reception held for the Community Service Volunteers at St James's Palace yesterday.

Dinners

Carmen's Company
Princess Anne, Master of the Carmen's Company, assisted by Alderman Sir Christopher Lever, Senior Warden, and Major D.R. Baker, Junior Warden, presided at a court dinner held yesterday at Clothworkers' Hall in honour of the Royal Corps of Transport; she also presented the company's Sword of Honour to Second Lieutenant R.E.G. Judge, RCT. The Junior Warden, Major-General F.J. Plaskett, Brigadier C.J. Carey and Mr G.E. McWatters also spoke.

Royal Society of St George
The City of London branch of the Royal Society of St George held a St George's Day dinner last night at the Brewery, Chiswell Street. Mr William B. Fraser, chairman, accompanied by Mrs Fraser, presided and Mr Eddie Shah, Mr James D. Lockhart, Mr Deputy Bernard L. Morgan, branch president, and the Rev Basil Watson also spoke. A message of greeting was received from the Queen, patron of the society. Among others present were:
Nadine Countess of Shrewsbury, Lady Killearn, Sir William and Lady Shapland, the Resident Governor and Keeper of the Jewel House at HM Tower of London and Mrs MacLellan, Mr Alderman Paul Newall, Mr Alderman and Mrs David Howard, Major-General A E H Parsons, the Master of the Fletchers' Company and Mrs Brown and the President of the United Wards' Club of the City of London and Mrs James.

Norfolk Lieutenancy
The Lord-Lieutenant of Norfolk and Lady Mary Colman were the guests of the Deputy Lieutenants of Norfolk at dinner last night at the Hotel Norwich.

Bowyers' Company
The Bowyers' Company held a dinner at Tallow Chandlers' Hall last night. Mr J Bickford Smith, Master, presided, assisted by Mr Richard Williams, Renter Warden. Sir Christopher Staughton also spoke.

Association of British Factors
Mr M.A. Maberly, Chairman of the Association of British Factors, and members of the council were hosts at the annual dinner held at Fishmongers' Hall yesterday. Mr D.A. Boothman, President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, was the principal guest.

European-Atlantic Group
Mr Geoffrey Rippon, QC, MP, presided at a dinner given by the European-Atlantic Group at St Ermin's Hotel last night. Mr Robert Maxwell was the principal speaker and Lord Layton, president of the group, also spoke. Others present included:
The Ambassador of Finland, Judith Countess of Listowel, Viscount Slim, Lord and Lady Ablinger, Sir Peter Marshall, Dame Elizabeth Ackroyd, Sir David and Lady Lidderdale, Sir John Peel, Lady Mayer, Sir Frank and Lady Roberts, Sir John and Lady Rodgers, Professor Ralph Dahrendorf, Mr H Holzheimer, and Mrs Geoffrey Rippon.

A.P. Bank
The Chairman of A.P. Bank and Marchioness Townshend, and the directors and their ladies, were hosts at the sixty-seventh annual dinner of the bank held at the Savoy Hotel on Thursday. The guests were Lord and Lady Rayne, Mr and Mrs George Blunden and Mr and Mrs Peter Bunce.

Service dinners

Honourable Artillery Company
The Duke of York attended the annual St George's dinner of the Honourable Artillery Company at Armoury House last night and was admitted as a member. General Sir Richard Trant presided and Lord Blake also spoke.

Headquarters RAF Support Command
The Lord Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire was the principal guest at a dinner given last night by Air Vice-Marshal K.A. Campbell, Air Officer Maintenance, RAF Support Command, and officers of Brampton Park Officers' Mess. Wing Commander R.W. Smith presided.

School news

The King's School, Canterbury
Summer Term at The King's School, Canterbury begins today. Bach's St John's Passion will be performed in the Cathedral on May 16. King's week will run from July 9 to 16. Speech day is on Thursday, July 16 when the anniversary preacher will be the Very Rev Michael Mayne, OKS, Dean of Westminster.

St George's School, Ascot
Boarders returned to St George's School, Ascot, for the Summer Term on Thursday, April 23, with Justine Shaw continuing as head girl. The Mothers and Daughters Tennis Match will be held on Saturday, July 4. Term ends on July 11 at noon.

Upper Chine School, Shanklin, Isle of Wight
Summer Term at Upper Chine School began yesterday. Old girls' day will be held at the School on June 13. Open day including water sports is on July 4.

Woodhouse Grove School
Term begins today at Woodhouse Grove School with 560 pupils in the school. Lincoln Savill is captain of cricket, Mark Ramsbottom is captain of tennis and Carl Pullein is captain of athletics. The joint Methodist/Anglican confirmation service will take place on Thursday, May 14 in the School Chapel. Old Grovians' day is on Saturday, July 4 and term ends on Wednesday, July 8 with prize day when the guest speaker will be Mr Derek Burrell, Vice-President of the Methodist Conference.

Wycliffe College
Summer Term at Wycliffe College begins on Sunday, April 26. Saturday, July 11 is Old Wycliffian day. Speech day will take place on Tuesday, July 14 when the visitor will be Sir Anthony Kershaw, MP. At the end of term Mr Frank Smith will be retiring as housemaster of Springfield after 12 years' service.

Memorial

A memorial service for Mr David Watt will be held at St James's, Piccadilly, on Monday, May 11, at noon.

A memorial service for Sir George Thalben-Ball will be held in St Paul's Cathedral on Tuesday, May 26, 1987, at 5 pm, preceded by an organ recital by Mr Carlo Curley at approximately 4.20 pm. No tickets are required but early attendance is advised. Please contact 01-828 1822, 01-828 5028, 01-212 5892 or 0932 63995 for further information.

A meeting in memory of Professor Sir William Coldstream will be held at 5 pm today at University College London, Gower Street, London, WC1.

Sale room

Rising yen boosts Japanese art works

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

The soaring Japanese yen helped to send prices for Japanese works of art through the roof at Christie's in New York on Wednesday. A pair of ferocious wooden carvings of temple guardian figures, dated to the first half of the fourteenth century, secured $352,000 (estimate $80,000-$120,000), or £217,284, the highest price recorded at auction for Japanese works of art.

With flowing robes and gestures full of movement, the two figures stand over four foot high. They have traces of original colouring and inlaid cristal eyes. No single lot of Japanese art had previously realized more than $180,000 at auction.

Auction price records were also set for most of Japan's great printmakers. A wood block print of a Japanese beauty holding a fan, by Kitagawa Utamaro, became at $187,000 (estimate $40,000-$60,000), or £112,650, the most expensive Japanese print ever sold at auction.

It was bought anonymously over the telephone. Only three impressions of this particular lady are known; she comes from a series titled "Ten types of female physiognomy", which is considered Utamaro's first masterpiece and dates from around 1792-94.

Other records included the $143,000 (estimate $40,000-$60,000), or £87,730, for a Sharaku portrait of an actor, $93,500 (estimate $40,000-$60,000), or £56,325, for Hokusai's "Red Fuji", and $66,000 (estimate $15,000-$20,000), or £39,759, for Hiroshige's "Ohashi, sudden shower at Atake".

Japanese prints used to be significantly more expensive than European prints ten years ago but prices have been on a plateau for the past five years. The strong yen started to send them up in price last October and Wednesday's results suggest that a boom is now on. Christie's said that its sale room had never been so full.

There was strong bidding from Europe and America, as well as Japan. The sales had been carefully timed to coincide with the opening on Monday of the new Japanese wing at the Metropolitan Museum, which no doubt contributed to the good attendance.

In London yesterday Sotheby's sold the complete set of John Gould's bird books, which had belonged to Gould himself, for £397,485. They had been sent for sale by Gould's great-grandson, Dr Geoffrey Edelstein, in a walnut veneered cabinet which was specially made for them in the mid-nineteenth century.

Sotheby's first offered the cabinet together with the books as a single lot but the bidding stopped at £300,000, which was below the reserve; a price of around £350,000-£400,000 had been estimated.. The books were then offered as 16 separate lots and all found buyers at or above Sotheby's estimates.

The top price was £121,000 (estimate £80,000-£100,000) for the eight-volume *Birds of Australia*, which contains 681 hand-coloured lithographed plates. All the natural history books in the sale secured very *strong* prices.

Anniversaries

Births: William the Silent, Prince of Orange, Nassau, 1533; **Edmund Cartwright**, pioneer of the power loom, Marnham, Nottinghamshire, 1743; **Anthony Trollope**, London, 1815; **Marcus Clarke**, author, London, 1846.

Deaths: Daniel Defoe, London, 1731; **Willa Cather**, novelist, New York, 1947; **Gerhard Domagk**, bacteriologist, Nobel laureate, 1939, Burgberg, Germany, 1964.

The *Daily Express* was first published, 1900.

Latest wills

Mary Lady Delamere, of Six Mile Bottom, Cambridgeshire, the racehorse breeder, left estate valued at £1,219,349 net.

OBITUARY

DR HUGH COTT

Devotee of the animal world

Dr Hugh Cott, who died on April 18, at the age of 86, was an eminent zoologist, an accomplished artist, and a keen conservationist long before that term was even invented.

Hugh Bamford Cott was born on July 6, 1900, the son of the rector of Ashby Magna, and was educated at Rugby and Sandhurst. He served in the regular army in Ireland from 1919 to 1921, before entering Selwyn College, Cambridge, as an ordinand.

The army and the church were strong influences upon him throughout his life.

Soon, however, there was a dramatic change of course. His participation in an undergraduate zoological expedition to Brazil in 1923 confirmed his already strong interest in wild life, and he transferred to the natural sciences tripos, graduating in 1925.

He immediately returned to South America on a lengthy expedition to the Lower Amazon.

After academic posts at Bristol and Glasgow, he returned to Cambridge in 1938 as Strickland Curator and lecturer in zoology. The war saw him in the army once more, mainly in the Middle East; he reached the rank of major, and was mentioned in despatches.

In 1945 he became a Fellow of his old college, Selwyn, where he was to remain until 1967, when he retired to Dorset.

Cott was very much a classical zoologist. It is not often realised nowadays how far ahead of his time he was at the height of his career.

He was one of the first academic zoologists to undertake extensive study of the behaviour and ecology of wild animals in the field: and his work on the crocodile, in particular, made him the acknowledged expert in the subject.

His imaginative mind, however, led him into many unusual areas. The most productive of these was his work on animal camoflage, which led to his authoritative book *Adaptive Colouration in Animals* (1940).

In the war, his work had practical application. After initially serving on the advisory committee on camoflage, he became the chief instructor of the Middle East Camoflage Centre from 1941 to 1943.

After the war, in the period of austerity, another of his interests - the edibility of birds and their eggs - led to the Fellows of Selwyn often serving as guineapigs for a wide range of exotic foods - not the least tasty of which were his ostrich omelettes.

He believed in examination of the whole animal. In this respect, he was somewhat taken aback when he entered the laboratory to find a colleague manipulating an enormous Heath Robinson-type contraption next to a large cage in one corner of which lay a little black capsule. It was a cockroach, Cott was informed, and his colleague was taking its temperature.

In the post war period Cott's interest turned increasingly to wild life conservation in Africa. Close examination of animal habitats, and the effect of human activity upon them, could, he maintained, lead to simple and effective action, such as the protection of nesting female crocodiles by the rescheduling of tourist steamer trips.

As a lecturer for Swan Hellenic Tours' East African safaris, he injected the spirit of conservation into many hitherto unthinking tourists.

It was in this period, too, that his books of black-and-white drawings, mainly of animals and Africa, began to appear. The artistic techniques in, for example, *Uganda in Black and White*, are remarkable; but the message is also a very personal one.

From it all there emerges a picture of a man for whom the animal kingdom contained most of what is valuable, pure and unspoiled, and for whom primitive peoples were somehow nearer to perfection than civilised man is ever likely to be.

Beneath Cott's formal, military exterior there was to be found a man of great sensitivity and artistic gifts, both in the visual arts and in music. All this was sustained by a simple and firm Christian faith. As a colleague, he commanded not merely friendship and fellowship, but love. He had no enemies.

He married, in 1928, Joyce Radford, who died in 1976. He is survived by their son and daughter.

MR GORDON BURGE

Mr Gordon Burge, the last chairman of Monmouthshire Quarter Sessions and a leading figure in that county's public life, died on April 3. He was 87.

Called to the Bar by Gray's Inn in 1929, he had a practice which afforded him the background for a popular wireless series, which he wrote with Mr Bernard (later, judge) Gillis, QC, just after the war, entitled *Around the Courts*.

During the war he served in the RAF and was mentioned in despatches for his work as an intelligence officer. Among other tasks, he was concerned in debriefing pilots and aircrews who had returned from bombing raids.

He maintained a great admiration for the young men with whom he dealt, and he kept in touch with many of them for the rest of his life.

In Monmouthshire he played a prominent part in public life:, on the county council; as chairman of Pontypool Rural District Council for 45 years; and as a founding member of the Cwmbran Development Corporation.

He was also a member of both the governing body and the representative body of the Church in Wales, and for many years was chairman of the Monmouth diocesan board of finance.

A JP and deputy chairman of Monmouthshire Quarter Sessions from 1953, he became its last chairman in 1969.

Burge's patience and kindly demeanour on the Bench endeared him to all who appeared before him as a fair-minded and honourable man. Unassuming, and with a nicely dry humour, he was typical of the old-fashioned and Christian country gentleman.

His widow survives him.

MAJ-GEN STUART BATTYE

Major-General Stuart Battye, CB, who died on Good Friday, at the age of 79, was a distinguished officer of the Royal Engineers whose family had been closely and continuously connected with India since the eighteenth century.

Stuart Hedley Molesworth Battye was born on June 21, 1907, at Meshed, Persia. He was educated at Marlborough College; the RMA, Woolwich; and at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge.

In 1927 he was commissioned, 2nd lieutenant, in the Royal Engineers. He became a major-general in 1958, and retired from the Army three years later.

Colonel M. B. Adams writes:

Stuart Battye was a grandson of one of the famous ten Battye brothers whose exploits with the Corps of Guides and Gurkhas became a legend during the second half of the last century, and included action at Delhi, Lucknow, in Afghanistan and in numerous frontier campaigns.

He was dedicated to service with the Indian Army and served continuously with the Bengal Sappers and Miners from 1930 to the end of the Second World War.

He later became director of movements at the War Office, retiring from the Army in 1961.

He served a further ten years as director of the Council for Small Industries in Rural Areas.

He was a man of strong Christian faith and an amateur painter of talent.

His wife, Evelyn Désirée Hartford, has chronicled the exploits of his family under the title *The Fighting Ten*, which was published in 1984. She survives him with their son and two daughters.

DAME MARGARET DRUMMOND

Dame Margaret Drummond, DBE, Director of the Women's Royal Naval Service from 1964 to 1967, died on April 21. She was 69.

Born Margaret Edith Drummond on September 4, 1917, she was educated at Park School, Glasgow, and Aberdeen University. She joined the WRNS in 1941.

She was immensely admired by her colleagues and subordinates for unerring fairness and complete devotion to the welfare of even the humblest ratings.

She was fond of saying that the efficiency of the WRNS depended more on the ratings than on their officers.

Science report

New Soviet cure for 'blue babies'

By Alfred Browne

Soviet surgeons say they can now cure the commonest cause of "blue babies", an unwanted connection between two major blood vessels, by a stopper instead of a scalpel, with less discomfort as well as less risk to the baby.

The condition, by no means rare in the newborn, is medically known as patent ductus. Before birth the foetus has a blood vessel which shunts blood away from the lungs which do not work in the womb.

Normally after birth it is blocked off, as soon as the baby's lungs start working in independent life. If it fails to close the baby's blood is not properly aerated, shown by a blue tinge to the lips, and the heart works harder in a vain effort to make up for the lack of oxygenated blood; the heart muscle then becomes strained.

The effect of this "hole outside the heart" resembles the "hole in the heart", which makes a connection between the two chambers of the heart known as ventricles, thereby by-passing the lungs. Normal treatment involves opening up the chest cavity to close the duct surgically.

The new Soviet technique uses a polyurethane stopper, supplied with hooks. It is introduced into the duct, where the hooks attach themselves to the wall of the vessel, blocking it completely with the stopper.

The operation begins with the introduction of a catheta into a large vein in the baby's thigh. With its progress monitored on a special screen, it is manipulated until it reaches the duct. There it measures the size of the duct, determines its shape and also the arterial pressure, the details being shown automatically on instruments.

The catheta is then withdrawn to have attached to it a stopper chosen according to conditions at the duct. The catheta is re-introduced, carried to the duct and induced to make movements which will attach the hooks to the wall of the blood vessel, closing it. The total operation lasts about an hour with, according to its originator, Dr Vladimir Prokubovsky, no trauma, either physical or psychological, to the patient.

With his two colleagues, Dr Stepan Kollodiy and Dr Sergei Savalyev, co-authors of the idea, he is making it a routine treatment at the Second Moscow Medical Institute. Patent ductus, he points out, is the commonest of about 100 congenital heart defects afflicting about 100,000 babies every year.

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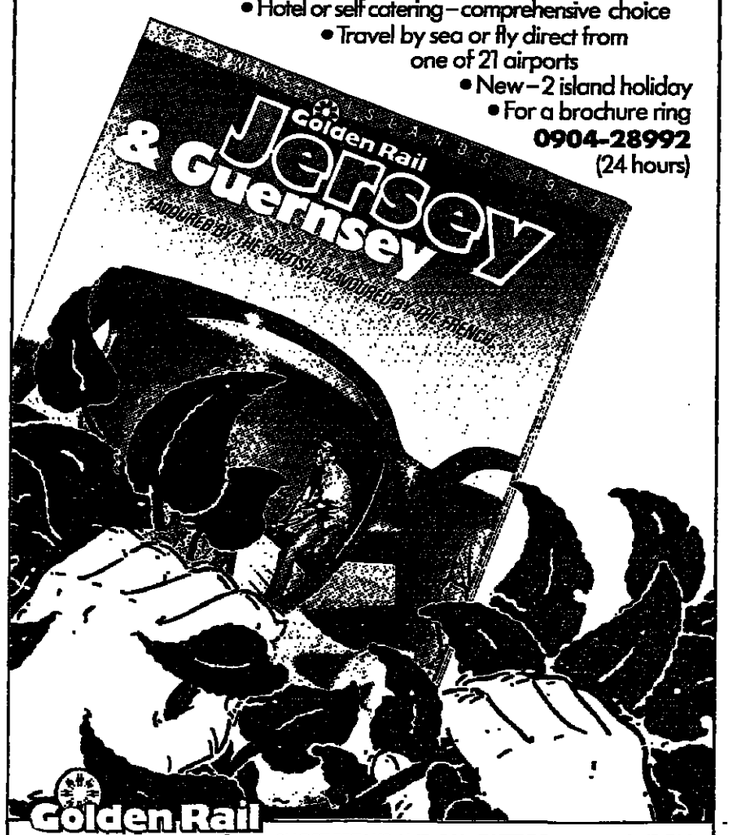

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

And Jesus said unto her, Daughter be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole go in peace
St Luke 8 48

BIRTHS

BRUCE See Smith.

CARRINGTON On April 16th to Judy (nee Caplin) and John, a son, Arthur Henry Caplin

CASSELS On April 13th, to Kathryn (nee Bennett) and Andrew, a daughter, Helen Charlotte, a sister for Alexander

COATS On April 18th at Freedom Fields, Plymouth, to Susie and Chris, a son Nicholas, a brother for Alexandra.

de la MORINIÈRE- on April 16th to Lizie (née Byng), and Hervé, a son, Louis Jean Victor, a brother for Camilla.

DYOTT - On 21st April to Sara (née Percevall) and Richard, a son.

EVANS - On 23rd April, to Susan (née Daniels) and Chris, a daughter, Lauren Elizabeth Dorothy, a sister for Helen and Katherine.

FURNESS-SMITH - On April 21st, 1987, to Jane, wife of Peter, a son, William Peter

HANKINSON - On April 21st, to Marilyn and Ian, a son Alasdair Robert Clarke, a brother for Scott.

KEARNEY - On April 15th 1987, to Sarah (nee Rutherfoord) and Peter, a son, James Andrew. A brother for Rachel, Georgina and Christopher.

MARLOW-THOMAS On April 23rd 1987, at Queen Charlotte's, to Julia (née Heaton) and Piers, a son, Oliver.

NAHON - On April 16th 1987, to Daphna (née Aloni) and Leon, a son, James Marcus Xerxes Benario

NESBITT - On April 22nd, at Barret Maternity Home, Northampton, to Carol (née Hunter) and David, a son, Benjamin.

PATTINSON - On April 19th, to Vicki (née Baker) and Paul, a son Jamie Colin.

PETHYBRIDGE - On April 15th 1987, at The Portland Hospital, to Olivia and Tim, a daughter.

PILKINGTON - On April 25rd to Celia and Nigel, a daughter.

ROSE - On April 20th, to Melanie (née Spira) and Andrew, a daughter, Katie Laura, a sister for Rebecca.

SMITH - On April 21st, to Nicola and Jonathan, a son Joshua, a brother for Katherine.

SMITH - On April 19th, to Denise Bruce and Michael, a son, Adam Robert Bruce-Smith.

SPURRIER - On April 14th 1987, at Queen Charlotte's hospital, to Frances (née Schaefer) and Neil, a daughter, Annabel Bianca, a sister for James.

WATSON - On 22nd April 1987 at Watford General Hospital, to Mani (née Guiral), and Mel, a daughter, Natasha Nancy.

WILLIAMS - On April 21st 1987, to Janet (née Allchin) and Simon, a daughter, Tamsin Mary.

WILLIAMS - On April 23rd, to Fiona (née Miles) and John, a daughter, Francesca, a sister for Nicholas and Kit.

WRIGHT - On April 16th, 1987, to Pandora (née Baichin) and Steven, a daughter, Tiffany Sabrina.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

LAMBOURNE-ROWLANDSON - on April 24th 1937 at St. Mark's, North Audley Street, W1. Norman Frederic to Joan Mary, Carlyon House, St. Brelade's Bay, Jersey, C.I.

DEATHS

BLAKE - On April 22nd, peacefully in hospital, Phyllis, beloved wife of the late Robert (Robin) dear mother of Antony and much loved granny of James and Timothy. Cremation at Eastbourne on Thursday April 30th at 11.30am. Family flowers only; donations, if desired, to The National Trust c/o Mummery F.D., 31 Devonshire Road, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex.

BURNELL - On April 21st, following a tragic accident in France, Andrew Stephen Neil (Andy) aged 28 years. Adored and loving husband of Janet (née Panes), loved son of Audrey and Stephen, and brother of John.

CANE-HONEYSETT - On April 20th 1987, Cyril David Walter, adored husband of Mary and a wonderful father and grandfather. A true gentleman. "Unwitting that to him the joy was given, which good men take with them from earth to Heaven." A funeral will be held at Putney Vale Crematorium, on Wednesday April 29th at 2.15pm.

CLEVELAND - On April 20th 1987, George Robert Elliot, of Farnham Royal, beloved husband of Margaret and a dearly loved uncle. Funeral All Saint's Church, Marlow, Tuesday April 28th, 9.30 am.

DAVIS - On April 21st, peacefully at West Woodlands, Ansty, after a long illness bravely borne, Michael John, darling husband of Bridget (née Ennion), loving son of Ethel, dear father of Grant, brother of Robert, Edward and Rosemary, step-father of Emma, Rupert and Toby Chetwynd-Talbot. Funeral private. No flowers please, donations to Salisbury Hospice Care Trust, S.G.I Salisbury or The International Fund For Animal Welfare, Tubwell House, New Road, Crowborough, East Sussex TN6 2QH. Thanksgiving Service May 16th 2.30pm, Tisbury Parish Church.

DEARMAN - On April 19th, 1987 Easter Sunday, Lilian ("Bobbie") aged 75, peacefully at Thamesfield Nursing Home. Beloved mother and mother-in-law of Glyn, David, Jennifer, Bruce and Rosemary, and loving and loved grandmother. Funeral at Golders Green Crematorium (East Chapel), Monday April 27th, at 2.50pm. Flowers to Tomalin and Son., New Street, Henley, Oxon, by 1pm.

DRUMMOND - On April 21st, Edith Margaret Drummond D.B.E., of Norfolk, sister of Winnie Muir. Memorial Service at Saxlingham Church on Wednesday April 29th at 11.30am. No flowers but if desired donations to Saxlingham Church c/o T Hulbert, The Pightles, Saxlingham, Holt, Norfolk NR25 7JY

GOODSON - On April 21st 1987, in Harrogate after a short illness, Kathleen Winifred in her 90th year. Service at St. Robert's Church, Pannal, Harrogate on Wednesday April 29th, at 3.15 pm, followed by private cremation. Enquiries to Swainsons, Harrogate 504571

GORE-CLOUGH - On April 22nd 1987, peacefully at Kingsbridge, South Devon, Raymund, aged 85. Dearly loved husband of Pat and father of Diana, grandfather of Andra and Jamie. Funeral private. No letters please

HAYES On Easter Monday April 20th, suddenly at King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, Herbert Victor C.B.E. beloved husband of Mab and father of the late F.O Peter Douglas R A F Funeral Service at West Lavington Church, Midhurst at 2.30pm on Wednesday April 29th followed by cremation at Chichester Crematorium at 3.30pm. No flowers but donations to R.A.F Benevolent Fund 67 Portland Place, London W1N 4AR or King Edward VII Hospital Midhurst.

KEMENY On April 22nd, 1987, George Julian, peacefully in his sleep, at the Chiltern Cheshire Home. Funeral 2 pm on April 29th, at the Chilterns Crematorium, Whielden Lane, Amersham, Bucks. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to the New Chilterns Cheshire Home, c/o 29 North Park, Gerrards Cross.

LIRK - On April 18th, at St Georges Hospital, Tooting, Patricia, mother of Diane, Vanessa and Murray. Funeral private

LNIGHT - On April 13th, in Hospital, Beryl (née Browne) aged 83 years of East Meon, Petersfield Hants. The funeral has taken place.

LOMLOSY - On April 17th Good Friday, Anton, service of remembrance at the Church of St John Baptist, Epping, Thursday 14th May 11am. Donations in his memory may be made to Epping Forest and District Branch of the Spastic Society, c/o D C Poulton and Sons, Clarks lane, Epping.

OUNTIS - On April 18th 1987, George, in a traffic accident, beloved son of Katrina and Panayiotis, brother to Christina, Andrew and Theresa, true friend of Keith. Service at St. Nicolas Greek Orthodox Church, Berkley Street on Monday 27th April at 2pm interment following at Allerton Cemetery, resting at Porter's Private Chapel, 577 Park Road, Dingle, until April 26th then at home where flowers may be sent.

EE - on April 22nd, peacefully after long illness, borne with courage and fortitude, Joyce, beloved wife of William, dearly loved mother of John, Rosa, Samuel and James, and loving grandma of Sarah. Private funeral

LEVESON-GOWER - On April 22nd, Anne, aged 87, Widow of Roderick and mother of Mary Legg-Willis and Cecelia Stephens - Serenity in Sussex, following pilgrimage to Holy Land. Funeral St. Feocks Church, Feock, Cornwall 3pm, April 28th. Memorial Eucharist, 3pm, May 1st, Christ Church Morningside, Edinburgh.

LEVY - On April 22nd, suddenly, Leonard aged 66, devoted husband of Jean and adoring father of Simon and Amanda.

MARSHALL - On April 16th, 1987, at Humana, Wellington, peacefully after a short illness borne with fortitude, Gwynneth Muriel, much loved mother of Julia, Adam, James, and grandmother. Funeral private with Memorial Evensong at St Vedast, Foster Lane, EC2 on May 5th 1987 at 6.00pm. No flowers please but donations to R.S.P.B. or R.N.L.I.

NAPIER - On April 22nd 1987, peacefully and with great courage after a short illness, Camilla Edith (née Green) beloved wife of Andrew, devoted mother of Andrew, Sheena and Iain. Family funeral and cremation on Monday April 27th. By request, no flowers, but donations if desired to St. Catherine's Hospice, Malthouse Road, Crawley.

NEWTON - On April 19th, 1987, Sidney J.(Jack), in New York City. In equal measure respected for his knowledge of Trademark Law and beloved in his own person, he will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege of his friendship and of his professional counsel, and particularly by his colleagues in the law firm of Abelman Frayne Rezac & Schwab, of New York City.

PERRY - On April 21st Colleen Mary after a short illness. Much loved wife of Oscar and mother of Nick, Tim and Gordon. Funeral private. No flowers or letters please by her special request. Memorial requiem 12 noon Friday May 1st at St Catherines, Chipping Campden.

PERRY - On April 22nd 1987, peacefully at home, Anthony William (Bill) of Manor Close, Oving, Buckinghamshire, dearly loved by Jane and son William. Funeral Service at St Mary's Church, Amersham on Wednesday 29th April at 2.45pm followed by cremation at Chilterns Crematorium, Amersham, Bucks. Flowers to Heritage and Sons, 63 High Street, Winslow, Bucks. Telephone Winslow 3341.

PIDGEON - On April 16th, very peacefully and with much dignity, James Stephen Pidgeon, ex Merchant Navy Engineer Officer. Chairman and Managing Director of James Pidgeon & Son Ltd. Dearly loved and devoted husband of Violet, a very dear father, respected father in law and loved grandfather. Funeral service to be held on Tuesday April 28th at 12 noon in The Church of St John The Evangelist, Canton, Cardiff. No flowers please, but donations if desired may be sent to The Masonic Benevolence Fund, C/O M B Batcock Esq, 81 Caer Wenallt, Pantmawr, Cardiff.

RIDDALLS - On April 22nd 1987, in Clementine Churchill Hospital, Sydney Frederick, aged 70 years: dearly beloved husband of Margaret and much loved father of John and Celia. Funeral Service at Breakspear Crematorium, Ruislip, on Tuesday April 28th at 1.45pm. Any enquiries to J.A. Massey & Sons, 16-18 Lowlands Road, Harrow. Telephone 01-422 1688.

ROBERTSON - On April 22nd, peacefully after a long illness borne with courage, Eric Desmond, much loved husband of Peggie and father of Hamish and Angus. Cremation at Mortlake, Wednesday April 29th at 3.30 pm. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to The Clements Wheeler-Bennett Memorial Trust for Cancer Research, c/o T.H. Sanders & Sons, 28 Kew Road, Richmond.

SMEETON - On April 18th, 1987, following an accident at Glencoe mountains, Scotland, Jonathan Donald aged 24 years, social worker, beloved only son of David and Diana Smeeton of Ivybridge, Devon, brother of Rachel. Funeral service at St Petroc's Parish Church, Harford, Ivybridge, Devon on Monday 27th April at 2.00 pm. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to Community Service Volunteers, 237 Pentonville Rd, London N19 NJ.

SMITH - On 22nd April 1987 in Hospital and of Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester, Milton Procter (Tim) aged 78 years, the beloved husband of the late Madge, loving father of Brenda, Neil and Linda. Service and Committal on Monday 27th April at 12.30pm. Flowers may be sent to The Funeral Director at the address below, alternatively donations for The British Heart Foundation to 102 Gloucester Place, London W1H 4DH. Enquires R. Pepperdine & Sons Ltd, Alexandra House, Manchester Road, Chorlton-Cum-Hardy, Manchester 21. Tel: 061 8815363.

STONE - On April 15th 1987, in London, Cassie (Felix) Garland. Widow of the late R. G. Stone, C.M.G. O.B.E. And sister of Professor Wilfrid Gaisford. Funeral 11.40 am, 29th April, at Golders Green Crematorium. Family flowers only please.

STOY - On Easter Sunday, April 19th 1987, peacefully in her sleep, Kate Olivia Codrington, much loved wife of Fred, Mother of Katherine and John and also by her six grandchildren. Funeral, at her request, in Ireland. Thanksgiving service at St. Bartholomew's Church, Sydenham, London on May 8th at 11.30 am. Donations to St. Christopher's Hospice, Lawrie Park Road, London SE26

VINCENT - On 19th April, Easter Sunday, suddenly but peacefully at her home in Charlecote, Alice Mary, much loved widow of the late Rev John Vincent and very much loved sister, aunt and great aunt. Funeral 2.00pm Monday 27th April at Preston-on-Stour Church. Flowers to Bennetts Undertakers, Sheep Street, Stratford-On-Avon.

WADDINGTON - On April 21st 1987, Angela Mary Cicely, in her 97th year. Funeral at Church of the Ascension, Beaufort Rd, Ealing, W5, 2.00pm on Tuesday April 28th 1987. Rest in Peace.

WHITE - On April 22nd, peacefully after a long illness, Joan Audrey (Tootsi, née Holland), wife of Jack, mother of Jennifer and David and grandmother of Elizabeth and Richard. Funeral private

WRIGHT - On April 16th 1987, in a London hospital, Isabel (Belle) aged 86 years. Beloved wife of Iain and much loved daughter of Isabel Hook. Funeral service at St John's Church, Hyde Park Crescent, London W2 on Wednesday April 29th at 11.00am, followed by burial at Gunnersbury. Enquiries to Kenyons Tel:01 723 3277

WRIGHT - On April 16th, at St Marys Hospital, Paddington, Isabell Yvonne, dearly beloved daughter of Mrs.I.Hook and the late Mr.G.J.Hook, a dear and devoted sister to Jerry. Dearly loved and adored daughter and friend, who will be sadly missed. An unexpected and grevious loss. May she rest in peace. Funeral arrangements next week.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

COUNSELL - John. A Thanksgiving Service for the life of John Counsell will be held at The Actors' Church, Covent Garden at 12.00 noon, on Tuesday 28th April

CROWTHER-HUNT - A Memorial Service for the late Lord Crowther-Hunt, Rector of Exeter College, Oxford, will be held on Saturday 9th May at 2.30pm in the University Church of St. Mary the Virgin. After the service, tea will be served in Exeter College Hall.

SALMON - A Service of Thanksgiving for Humphrey Salmon will be held at Chelsea Old Church, Old Church Street, London, SW3, at 12 noon on Tuesday 19th May 1987.

WHITFIELD Emeritus Professor A.G.W. Whitfield, CBE, DL, MD, FRCP. A memorial service will be held at Edgbaston Old Church, Birmingham, 12.00 noon, Friday May 1st

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BIRTHDAYS

DEAREST GREGORY Frolmer. Highest regards on your 40th Birthday. Love, Elizabeth.

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THEATRE

LONDON

☆ **THE AMEN CORNER:** Transfer from the Tricycle of James Baldwin's powerful drama of a Harlem preacher facing revolt in congregation and family.
Lyric Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 3686). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Fri 8-10.50pm. Sat 8.15-11.05pm, matinee Wed 3-5.50pm, Sat 4.30-7.20pm, £4.50-£14.50.

☆ **BRIGHTON BEACH MEMOIRS:** Neil Simon's vivid recollection of a Brooklyn childhood. Dorothy Tutin in an NT transfer.
Aldwych Theatre, Aldwych, WC2 (01-836 6404, cc 01-379 6233). Tube: Holborn Mon-Fri 7.30-9.45pm, Sat 8.30-10.45pm, matinée Wed 3-5.15pm, Sat 5-7.15pm, £4.50-£13.50.

☆ **COURT IN THE ACT:** Gabrielle Drake snares Michael Denison, Lee Montague and others in an energetic 1912 French farce.
Phoenix Theatre, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (01-836 2294). Tube: Tottenham Court Road. Mon-Fri 8-10.20pm, Sat 8.30-10.50pm, matinée Thurs 3-5.20pm and Sat 5-7.20pm, £5-£12.50.

☆ **THE HEAT OF THE DAY:** Shared Experience's dramatization of Elizabeth Bowen's wartime novel.
Donmar Warehouse, 41 Earlham Street, WC2 (01-240 8230). Tube: Leicester Square. Mon-Sat 7.30-10pm, £6-£8, until April 25.

☆ **HEAVEN BENT, HELL BOUND:** Excellent adaptation of a classic Spanish drama. Gripping performances.
Bridge Lane Theatre, Bridge Lane, SW11 (01-228 8828). Rail: Clapham Junction/Battersea Park. Tues-Sat 8-10.10pm, £3.50-£4.50, until April 25.

☆ **THE HENRYS:** Michael Bogdanov's impressive productions of Shakespeare's Henry plays with Michael Pennington as Prince Hal and Henry V.
Old Vic, Waterloo Road, SE1 (01-928 7616, cc 01-261 1821). Tube: Waterloo. *Henry IV part 1* Mon 7.30-10.30pm, Wed 7.30-10.30pm, Sat 10.30am-1.30pm, *Henry IV part 2* Tues and Thurs 7.30-10.30pm, Sat 3-6pm. *Henry V* Wed 2.30-5.30pm, Fri 7.30-10.30pm, Sat 7.45-10.45pm, £3-£10.50. (ticket for all three plays £24), until May 2.

☆ **HIGH SOCIETY:** The show of the film. Stoked with extra Cole Porter.
Victoria Palace Theatre, Victoria Street, SW1 (01-834 1317). Tube: Victoria. Mon-Fri 7.45-10.15pm, Sat 8.15-10.45pm, matinée Wed 3-5.30pm, Sat 4.45-7.15pm, £7.50-£18.50.

☆ **OWNERS:** Revival of Caryl Churchill's first success; interesting to compare this black comedy with her latest, Serious Money.
Young Vic Theatre, 66 The Cut, SE1 (01-928 6363). Tube: Waterloo. Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm, matinée Sat 3-5.30pm, £6.95, until April 25.

☆ **THE RESISTIBLE RISE OF ARTURO UI:** Griff Rhys Jones as Brecht's gangster leader learning how to rule the world.
Queens Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-734 1166). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Fri 7.45-10.15pm, Sat 8-10.30pm, matinée Wed 3-5.30pm, Sat 4.30-7pm, £6-£13.50.

★ **THREE SISTERS:** Strongly cast Chekhov in a new translation by Michael Frayn.
Greenwich Theatre, Crooms Hill, SE10 (01-858 7755). Station: Greenwich. Mon-Sat 7.45-10.45pm, matinée Sat 2.30-5.30pm, £3-£7.50, until May 2.

LONG RUNNERS: ☆ **The Business of Murder:** Mayfair Theatre (01-629 3036) . . . ★ **Cats:** New London Theatre (01-405 0072, cc 01-404 4079) . . . ★ **Chess:** Prince Edward Theatre (01-734 8951) . . . ★ **42nd Street:** Drury Lane Theatre Royal (01-836 8108/9/0 or 01-240 9066/7) . . . ☆ **Me and My Girl:** Adelphi Theatre (01-836 7611/7358 and 01-240 7913/4) . . . ★ **Les Misérables:** Palace Theatre (01-434 0909) . . . ☆ **The Mousetrap:** St Martin's Theatre (01-836 1443, cc 01-379 6433) . . . ☆ **No Sex, Please, We're British:** Duchess Theatre (01-836 8243) . . .
★ **Phantom of the Opera:** Sold out until October. Her Majesty's Theatre (01-839 2244, cc 01-379 6131, 01-240 7200) . . . ☆ **Run for your Wife:** Criterion Theatre (01-930 3216, cc 01-379 6565) . . .
☆ **Starlight Express:** Apollo Victoria Theatre (01-828 8665, cc 01-630 6262) . . . ☆ **Stepping Out:** Duke of York's Theatre (01-836 5122, cc 01-836 9837) . . . ☆ **Time:** Dominion Theatre (01-580 9845, cc 01-836 2428).

OUT OF TOWN

BRISTOL: ☆ **John Bull:** First production in modern times of a "lost" comedy by George Colman, set in a dilapidated inn on a Cornish heath.
Old Vic Theatre Royal, King Street (0272 264388). Mon-Wed 7.15-9.45pm, Thurs-Sat 7.45-10.15pm, Sat 4-6.30pm, £1.70-£7.50, until May 2.

LEICESTER: ☆ **Putting on the Ritz:** New John Godber play set in a disco threatened by racketeers; based on the TV series.
Haymarket Theatre, Belgrave Gate (0533 539797)

LEEDS: ☆ **Torpedoes in the Jacuzzi:** Phil Young's new comedy revealing ambition and intrigue in West Yorkshire.
Playhouse Theatre, Calverley Street (0532 442111). Mon and Tues 8-9.30pm, Wed-Sat 7.30-9.30pm, £4-£5.50, until May 2.

LIVERPOOL: ☆ **Comedians:** Trevor Griffiths's 1975 play *The Comedians* marvellously rewritten for women performers. With Cheryl Maiker and Jenny Lecoat.
Everyman Theatre, Hope Street (051 709 4776). Tues-Sat 8-10.20pm, £3.50-£4.50, until May 2.

MANCHESTER: ★ **To Kill a Mockingbird:** Return of praised dramatization of Harper Lee's best-seller.
Contact Theatre, Oxford Road (061 273 1230).

NORTHAMPTON: ☆ **Seesaw:** Helen Shapiro and Nicholas Bennett in a popular musical expanded from the play *Two for the Seesaw*.
Royal Theatre, 15 Guildhall Road (0604 32533/24811). Mon-Sat 7.30-9.50pm, matinée Thurs 16th 2.30-4.50pm, £3-£6, until April 25.

STRATFORD: ★ **The Merchant of Venice:** Bill Alexander's new production with Antony Sher as Shylock and Deborah Findlay as Portia.
Royal Shakespeare Theatre, Stratford-upon-Avon (0789 295623). Mon-Sat 7.30-10pm, £5-£15.50

FILMS

■ **Also on national release**
☎ **Advance booking possible**

THE ASSAULT (PG): Fons Rademaker's thriller based on Harry Muslich's best-seller.
Cannon Baker Street (01-935 9772). Progs 1.45, 4.40, 7.45, 11.00.

BLOOD TIES (18): Mafia meets druggie-yuppies in this film directed by Giacomo Battiato (98min).
Electric Screen (01-229 3694). Progs 3.00, 4.55, 7.00, 9.05.

BLUE VELVET (18): David Lynch's surreal tale about the placid surface of an American small town being violently ripped apart. With Isabella Rossellini and Dennis Hopper (120 min).
Chelsea Cinema (01-351 3742). Progs 1.10, 3.35, 6.05, 8.40, 11.15.
☎ **Gate Cinema** (01-727 4043). Progs 2.15, 4.20, 6.35, 8.55, 11.15.
☎ **Lumiere** (01-379 3014, cc 01-379 3014). Progs 1.10, 3.35, 6.05, 8.40, 11.15.
☎ **Screen on the Hill** (01-435 3366). Progs 1.20 (not Sun), 3.40, 6.10, 8.40, 11.15.

■ **CHILDREN OF A LESSER GOD (15):** Polished version of the Broadway play, with William Hurt as the teacher of deaf adolescents emotionally involved with a former pupil (Marlee Matlin) (113 min).
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 2.30, 5.15, 8.15, 11.00.
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636, cc 01-373 6990). Progs 2.00, 6.00, 9.00.
☎ **Screen on Baker Street** (01-935 2772). Progs 3.30, 6.00, 8.30.

CRIMES OF THE HEART (15): Jessice Lange, Sissy Spacek, Diane Keaton and Sam Shepard star in this black farce set in the Southern USA.
☎ **Odeon Haymarket** (839 7697). Progs 2.15, 5.45, 8.30, 11.40.

■ **CROCODILE DUNDEE (15):** Australia's smash hit, with TV comic Paul Hogan as a crocodile hunter bemused by New York's urban jungle. Broad and loud, but friendly. (98 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 2.25, 5.50 only.
Cannon Royal (01-930 6915). Progs 2.00, 4.10, 6.20, 8.30.
☎ **Plaza Lower Regent Street** (01-437 1234). Progs 1.00, 3.15, 5.45, 8.15, 11.15.

■ **THE FLIGHT OF THE NAVIGATOR (U):** Joey Cramer as the boy who serves as navigator for a distant planet's space flights (90 min).
Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527). Progs 1.15, 3.35, 6.00, 8.25.
Cannon Prince Charles (01-437 8181). Progs 1.20, 300, 5.25, 7.50.
Odeon Marble Arch (01-723 2011). Progs 1.15, 3.35, 5.55, 8.15.
☎ **Odeon Kensington** (01-602 6644, cc 01-602 5193). Progs 1.50, 3.55, 5.55.
Odeon Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905). Progs 2.30, 4.30, 6.30.

■ **THE FOURTH PROTOCOL (15):** Old-fashioned entertainment based on Frederick Forsyth's novel about a Soviet plan to sabotage Nato with a covertly assembled atomic bomb. Michael Caine is the maverick spycatcher (119 min).
☎ **Cannon Panton St** (01-930 0631). Progs 2.15, 4.50, 7.25, 10.00
☎ **Odeon Kensington** (01-602 6644, cc 01-602 5193). Progs 8.10.
Odeon Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905). Progs 2.30, 5.00, 8.10.
☎ **Odeon Leicester Square** (01-930 6111, cc 01-930 3232/01-839 1929). Progs 1.15, 4.30, 7.45.

■ **HAUNTED HONEYMOON (PG):** Mild parody of the haunted house genre, with Gene Wilder and Gilda Radner as the lovebirds under attack in a large country mansion, and Dom DeLuise in drag (83 min).
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 2.30, 6.00, 8.40, 11.00.
Cannon Oxford St (01-636 -310). Progs 1.15, 3.10, 5.05, 7.00, 8.55, 11.15.
☎ **Leicester Square Theatre** (01-930 5252, cc 01-930 7615). Progs 1.15, 3.35, 6.05, 8.35.

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS (PG): Eccentric story of a boy, a girl and a man-eating plant called Audrey II. Lavishly designed; With Rick Moranis, Ellen Greene and many cameo appearances. Directed by Muppet man Frank Oz (94 min).
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636, cc 01-373 6990). Progs 2.00, 5.15, 8.45.
☎ **Warner West End** (01-439 0791, cc 01-439 1534). Progs 2.10, 4.20, 6.30, 8.40.

MARTIAL ARTS OF SHAOLIN (PG): Leading exponents of kung fu twirl and kick through some of China's spectacular locations. A vigorous extravaganza, with the Chinese star Jet Lee; directed by Hong Kong's Lau Kar-Leung.
Rio, Dalston (01-254 6677). Progs 8.30.

■ **OVER THE TOP (PG):** Perfect title for a drama featuring Sylvester Stallone as an arm-wrestling truck driver who tries to get to know his neglected son during a cross-continental ride (93 min).
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). Progs 2.15, 4.20, 6.25, 8.40, 11.20.
Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527). Progs 2.00, 4.10, 6.20, 8.35, 11.15.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 2.15, 4.20, 6.25, 8.35, 11.15.
☎ **Warner West End** (01-439 0791, cc 01-439 1534). Progs 2.15, 4.20, 6.30, 8.35, 11.15.

PERSONAL SERVICES (18): Terry Jones's outrageous comedy, inspired by the life of Cynthia Payne, stars Julie Walters as the London madam. Not for the easily offended (105 min).
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636, cc 01-373 6990). Progs 2.00, 6.00, 9.10.
☎ **Cannon Oxford Street** (01-636 0310). Progs 1.40, 3.55, 6.10, 8.30. Fri 11.15.
☎ **Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue** (01-836 6279). Progs 1.10, 3.30, 5.50, 8.30.
☎ **Plaza Lower Regent Street** (01-437 1234, cc 01-240 7200). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30, 11.15.

PLATOON (PG): Oliver Stone's intense anti-war drama which scooped up four Oscars. With Willem Defoe and Tom Berenger as sergeants at loggerheads in Vietnam (120 min).
Odeon Leicester Square (01-930 6111). Progs 11.15, 2.00, 5.00, 8.00, 11.15.

SHE'S GOTTA HAVE IT (18): Cheeky, rough and ready American independent film about the sexual adventures of a black girl in Brooklyn. Written and directed by Spike Lee (84 min).
Cannon Tottenham Court Road (01-636 6148). Progs 1.55, 4.05, 6.15, 8.25, 11.15.
Metro (01-437 0757). Progs 2.30, 4.15, 6.00, 7.45, 9.30.

■ **STAND BY ME (15):** The adventures of four small-town adolescent boys in the summer of 1959 (88 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 1.55, 4.10, 6.30, 9.00.
Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527). Progs 1.10, 3.05, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00, 11.15.

TOUGH GUYS (15): Two great stars -- Burt Lancaster and Kirk Douglas -- in a minnow of a film about gentleman crooks adjusting with difficulty to life outside prison.
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). Progs 1.55, 4.10, 6.20, 8.35, Fri 11.20pm.
Leicester Square Theatre (01-930 5252). Progs 12.45, 3.20, 6.00, 8.45, 11.45pm.

■ **THE VOYAGE HOME -- STAR TREK IV (PG):** The Enterprise team star in another slick fantasy. Leonard Nimoy directs (119 min.)
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 2.30, 5.15, 8.15, 11.00.
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). Progs 2.55, 5.35, 8.15, 11.15.
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636, cc 01-373 6990). Progs 2.00, 5.15, 8.40.
Empire Leicester Square (01-437 1234, cc 01-240 7200). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30, 11.15.

CONCERTS

☆ **JOANNA TRZECIAK:** This pianist offers an interesting and unusual programme with Lessel's Variation Op 15, Szymanowski's virtually unknown Sonata Op 8, and a Chopin group including the *Polonaise-Fantasy* and *Barcarolle*.
Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800). 7.30pm, £2-£4.

☆ **USA SONGS:** The Songmakers' Almanac team presents a history of song in the USA, "Songs from the New World".
Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore St, London W1 (01-935 2141). 7.30pm, £3-£6.

★ **ARMSTRONG/LPO:** The LPO is conducted by Richard Armstrong in Rossini's *Semiramide* Overture, Kodály's *Hary Janos* Suite, Richard Strauss's symphonic poem *Till Eulenspiegel*, and Peter Katin solos in Grieg's Piano Concerto.
Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800). 7.45-9.35pm, £4.75.

☆ **TOVEY/LCO:** Philip Fowke solos in Grieg's Piano Concerto with the London Concert Orchestra under Bramwell Tovey, which also plays Tchaikovsky's *Capriccio Italien*, Ravel's Boléro, Borodin's Polovtsian Dances.
Barbican Centre, Silk St, London EC2 (01-628 8795, cc 01-638 8891). 7.45-9.45pm, £5.50-£11.50.

★ **ROMANTICISM ENDS:** For the last programme in the "Dawn of Romanticism" series Sir Charles Groves conducts the ECO in Méhul's curious and entertaining *Chasse du jeune Henri* Overture and Schubert's Symphony No 9. Emma Johnson solos in Weber's lovely Clarinet Concertino and Isobel Buchanan sings some of Berlioz's *Scènes de Faust*.
Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800). 7.45pm, £2-£7.50.

OPERA

☆ **DON GIOVANNI:** Revival of a Johnathan Miller production, with William Schimmel as Don Giovanni and Rita Cullis. Roger Norrington conducts. English National Opera, Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London, WC2 (01-836 3161), 8-9.45pm, £2-£18.50.

☆ **RUDDIGORE:** New Sadler's Wells Opera on the penultimate lap of their nationwide tour of Ian Judge's handsome and witty production of the G & S mock-melodrama.
Palace Theatre, Manchester (061 236 9922), 7.30-10.20pm, £5.50-£10.50.

ROCK

☆ **JOHNNY CLEGG & SAVUKA:** Born in Britain, but a long-time resident of South Africa, Clegg has immersed himself in Zulu music and culture and achieved a blend of sounds and rhythms no less exhilarating than that of Paul Simon.
Town and Country, 9-17 Highgate Road, London NW5 (01-267 3334) 7.30pm, £6.

☆ **THE ALARM:** Start of a tour for the blustering Welsh post-punk rockers. Support is Wire Train, a post-psychedelia guitar band of promise from San Francisco.
International 2, 210 Plymouth Grove, Manchester (061 224 5050) 8pm, £5.

☆ **SPEAR OF DESTINY:** Kirk Brandon, a doyen of the post-punk rockers, dismissed the line-up that showed such promising signs of a breakthrough at the time of the excellent 1985 album, *World Service*, and has re-emerged with new personnel and another almost-hit single, "Never Take Me Alive".
Newcastle City Hall, Northumberland Road (091 261 2606) 7.30pm, £5.

☆ **KATE & ANNA McGARRIGLE:** The French-Canadian sisters have been purveying the currently fashionable homely harmonies and traditional folk instrumentation since their debut album in 1975. Support is Irish Bob Dylan fan, Andy White.
Shaw Theatre, 100 Euston Road, London NW1 (01-388 1394) 7.30pm, £8 (£6 concs), also tomorrow.

☆ **ZODIAC MINDWARP & THE LOVE REACTION:** Hippy biker recidivist Mindwarp gives a better interview than he does a concert. His Love Reaction group looks a treat with their Mad Max constumes and army surplus tin hats, but musically they are rarely better than mundane.
Winter Gardens, Kingsway, Cleethorpes (0472 692925) 8pm, £3.50.

JAZZ

☆ **MADELINE BELL:** The session singer who was once the voice of Blue Mink ("Melting Pot") gets a chance to show her credentials in a jazz context.
Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747), 9.30pm, £8 (£6 members).

☆ **PIZZA EXPRESS ALL-STARS:** Reliable mainstream band in the atmospheric *boîte* which is their home ground.
Pizza Express, 10 Dean Street, London W1 (01-439 8722), 9pm, £6.50.

DANCE

★ **THE DREAM IS OVER:** New ballet by Christopher Bruce to John Lennon songs. Given by London Festival Ballet with the London premières of Ulysses Dance's *Episodes* and Michael Clark's *Drop Your Pearls and Hog It, Girl*.
Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, London EC1 (01-278 8916), 7.30-9.45pm, £3.50-£12.

☆ **CEREMONY:** Robert Cohan's ritual ballet for London Contemporary Dance Theatre with works by Siobhan Davies and Christopher Bannerman.

John Chamberlain (who was born in 1937) is an influential precursor of today's younger avant-garde sculptors. Since the late 1950s he has been exhibiting, mainly in New York, constructions of tangled, compacted metal salvaged from car wrecks and rubbish dumps. Like much Dada sculpture, Chamberlain's work cannot easily exist outside a gallery, where it would probably be unrecognizable as art. But inside the gallery, it assumes an unpredictable, brash elegance. In the early 1960s he rode to prominence on the Pop Art bandwagon; his sculpture was appreciated for its alternative appearance, for the slap in the face it delivered to traditional carving and modelling. Now that young British artists are also using found materials and transforming them into a critique of consumerism, over-production and waste, we can appreciate more easily the real content of Chamberlain's work. Other than the addition of Dayglo paint, Chamberlain's constructions have remained consistent in their content and pursuit of style by unconventional means. He has not exhibited in Britain for over a decade; now 10 major recent works including "Bugoff Buggo" (1983, above) are on show at Fabian Carlsson Gallery, 160 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-409 0619), Mon-Fri 10-6pm, Sat 10-1pm, free, until May 16. *David Lee.*

New Theatre, Kingston Square, Hull (0482-20463), 7.30-9.30pm, £3.50-£6.50.

☆ **GISELLE:** Galina Samsova's traditional production for London City Ballet.
The Orchard, Home Gardens, Dartford (0322-343333) 7.45-9.50 pm £4.50-£7.50.

WALKS

JEWISH GHETTO ALLEYS & OLD COCKNEY QUARTER: meet Whitechapel tube 11am, £3.

JACK THE RIPPER'S VICTORIAN LONDON: meet Aldgate East (Art Gallery Exit) 11am, £2.

LEGAL AND ILLEGAL LONDON -- INNS OF COURT: meet Holborn tube, 11am, £2.25; children under 16 with an adult free.

AN HISTORIC PUB WALK -- COVENT GARDEN: meet Holborn underground 7.30pm, £2.25.

HAUNTED LONDON -- A GHOST WALK: meet Covent Garden Station 7.30pm, £2.50.

SAXON, VIKING AND NORMAN LONDON: meet Museum of London 2.30pm, £2.75.

TALKS

MASTERPIECES: Talk on masterpieces of Persian, Turkish and Mughal painting, 12pm; followed by a talk on manuscript treasures from India.
The British Library, Great Russell Street, London WC1 (01-323 7111). 12pm, free.

TOWARDS THE 20TH CENTURY: The second in a series of three lectures, given by Colin Wiggins
The National Gallery, Room 44, Trafalgar Square, London WC2 (01-839 3526), 12 noon.

GALLERIES

FOUR ELEMENTS: Five artists and installation specialists explore themes of earth, fire, air and water by imaginative use of materials.
City Museum and Art Gallery, Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent (0782 202173), Mon-Sat 10.30-5pm, Sun 2-5pm, free, until May 24.

CRAIGIE AITCHISON: Recent paintings, including numerous of his favourite subject, The Crucifixion, by an inventive colourist.
Albemarle Gallery, 18 Albemarle Street, London W1 (01-493 7566). Mon-Fri 10-5.30pm, Sat 11-1pm, free, until May 1.

THE SCHOOL OF BOLOGNA 1570-1730: The Carracci, Guido Reni and Domenichino are the better-known names in this important survey of a provincial school of Italian painting.
Harari & Johns Ltd, 12 Duke Street, London SW1 (01-839 7671), Mon-Fri 9.30-5.30pm, free, until May 15.

MODERN BRITISH DRAWINGS AND PRINTS: Described as "inexpensive", that is, under £5,000, this gallery's mixed shows are entertaining for browsers as well as buyers.
Agnew, 43 Old Bond Street, London W1 (01-629 6176). Mon-Fri 9.30-5.30pm, free, until May 15.

TONY CRAGG: Recent sculptures made from found materials which invite thoughts about industrial waste and over-production.
Hayward Gallery, South Bank, London SE1 (01-261 0127). Mon-Wed 10-8pm, Thurs-Sat 10-6pm, Sun 12-6pm, free, until June 7.

A studio building in Paris (1922-23) designed by the Swiss-born Le Corbusier is featured in the centenary show at the Hayward Gallery. Among the exhibits are plenty of surprises, including examples of Le Corbusier's bold and surreal oil paintings. The show also charts his unlikely love affair with India and amply illustrates his notorious slogan about houses being machines for living in. The Hayward Gallery, South Bank, London SE1 (01-261 0127).

OTHER EVENTS

PRINTED LIGHT: Three days left in which to see this major photographic exhibition at Bradford.
National Museum of Photography, Film and Television, Prince's View, Bradford, West Yorkshire (0274 727488). Today until Sunday, 11am-6pm, free.

ROMEO AND JULIET IN SOUTHWARK: Members of the London Theatre School perform scenes from the play in the galleried yard of the 1676 George Inn, which is open for food and drink throughout.
George Inn Yard, Borough High Street, Southwark. Today until Sunday, 1.15pm, free.

RHS GARDEN DEMONSTRATIONS: Experts give practical guidance on how to propagate hardy plants.
RHS Gardens, Wisley near Woking, Surrey (0483 224234). 2pm-3.30pm. Adult £2, child 5-14 £1.

COLLEGE: Last chance for children to see the Buster Keaton 1927 classic with live musical accompaniment.
Children's Cinema Club, ICA, The Mall, London SW1 (01-930 3647). 3pm. Adult £3, child £1.50.

SPRING FESTIVAL: At the Natural History Museum, meet Sir David Attenborough signs his book, *The First Eden*, 11am-12, followed by Unicorn Theatre workshops, 1-3pm. At the Geological Museum, the film *This Earth the Inheritance* 1.15pm is followed by an illustrated talk: "Minerals, Treasures of the Earth".
Natural History and Geological Museums, South Kensington, London SW7 (01-589 6323). Natural History admission adult £2, child five-15 £1. Geological admission adult £1, child five-15 50p.

THE BATTLE FOR BADGERS WOOD: For six-10-year-olds, a comedy with a serious theme about animals versus developers, hunters and conservationists.
Polka Children's Theatre, 240 The Broadway, London SW19 (01-543 4888). 2pm, £2.60.

TRICYCLE WORKSHOP: Carnival and Circus with the Deep See Dancers -- for 6 -year-olds.
Tricycle Theatre, 269 Kilburn High Road, London NW6 (01-328 8626). 2.30-4.30pm, £1.

PROVINCIAL BOOKSELLERS FAIR: Antiquarian books and maps, prints and books.
Henley Town Hall, The Market Place, Henley-on-Thames. Today 12-7pm, tomorrow 10-5pm, 30p.

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

KING'S SINGERS: Booking for concerts in May, including two premières: *Handmade Proverbs* by Toru Takemitsu (European première) and Maxwell Davies's *House of Winter* (London première). May 15.
Wigmore Hall, Wigmore Street, London W1 (01-935 2141). Also at Swansea, Swindon, Warwick, Cambridge and Exeter (May 1-30). Ring 01-720 7578 for details of other venues.

THE BLUEBIRD OF HAPPINESS: Priority booking open for première of Woody Allen revue adapted by John Lahr, directed by Braham Murray, with music by Stanley Silverman. June 30-Aug 1. Public booking from May 5.
Royal Exchange Theatre, St Ann's Square, Manchester (061-833 9833).

LAST CHANCE

KARL KORAB: Still lifes incorporating real and imagined objects by an Austrian painter. Ends today.
Leinster Fine Art, 3 Clifford Street, London W1 (01-437 4534).

1900 BELLE EPOQUE PAINTINGS: French and English approaches to society portraiture in the years of decadence around the turn of the century. Ends tomorrow.
Oscar and Peter Johnson, 27 Lowndes Street, London SW1 (01-235 6464).

PAUL DRURY: Prints by octogenerian, inspired by Rembrandt and Durer, with portraiture and intimate studies, as well as his better-known countryside scenes. Ends today.
Carton and Cooke, 39-42 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-493 2820).

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TOP FILMS AND VIDEOS

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1 (1) Startrek IV
2 (2) Blue Velvet
3 (3) Personal Services
4 (4) The Fourth Protocol
5 (8) Haunted Honeymoon
6 (9) Childen of Lesser God
7 (6) Crocodile Dundee
8 (5) Little Shop of Horrors
9 (7) Flight of Navigator
10 (-) Crimes of the Heart

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4 Children of a Lesser God
5 The Color of Money

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1 (1) Secret Of My Success
2 (4) The Aristocats
3 (-) Project X
4 (3) Blind Date
5 (2) Police Academy IV
6 (5) Lethal Weapon
7 (6) Platoon
8 (7) Raising Arizona
9 (8) Tin Men
10 (-) Crocodile Dundee

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THE ARTS

Identity parade

On Wednesday the first of Duncan Campbell's much-delayed series *Secret Society* (BBC2) unveiled an electronic device which can check the number-plates of passing cars against the police Suspect Vehicles Index. This would have been redundant in last night's *40 Minutes* (BBC2), where the number-plates of kerb-crawlers in Birmingham's notorious Balsall Heath area were plainly visible.

Can we now expect those drivers to be prosecuted? After all, the working girls (also plainly identified by the hidden camera) are routinely had

TELEVISION

up for the quaint English offence of "dipping and peering" into the cars of prospective clients; to pay their fines they have to keep soliciting; when things get really tough, as in the case of the prostitute who co-operated with this programme, they have to consult a solicitor.

The subject matter of this resourceful and depressing report has been widely covered elsewhere, but this must have been the first time that a pimp has unburdened himself so frankly on camera. His girlfriend started on the game "of her own free will" at 15. She now earns him £60 or so a night while he plays pool with his mates. He takes advantage of her "because the advantage is there to take". The occasional slap is "in order", but he would *never* force her to work for him. One imagines that this interviewee's face, though unlit, should be identifiable; but perhaps the West Midlands Constabulary were all clustered round *Crimewatch UK* on BBC1.

The archaeological detectives featured in the fascinating *Sutton Hoo — Last of the Pagans* (BBC2) were confronted with the puzzling evidence of a seventh-century graveyard round the corner from the celebrated ship-burial site. Buried in contorted postures suggesting the possibility of ritual execution, these ancient corpses have been transformed by the acidic soil into sand sculptures of a dreamy beauty. The ultimate tease was that some of the graves are aligned east-west instead of the north-south of pagan practice. From small acorns do mighty oaks grow.

Martin Cropper

Man's belligerence vehemently denounced

CINEMA

Platoon (PG)
Odeon Leicester Square

Tough Guys (15)
Leicester Square Theatre

Oliver Stone, in an interview on this page on Wednesday, said "You have to recognize that there is a permanent civil war in the United States". The phenomenon of **Platoon** at first sight seems to corroborate this view. A passionate denunciation of war as a persistent human activity, and of America's Vietnam adventure in particular, *Platoon* has proved one of the country's biggest box-office attractions. Yet only months before it *Top Gun*, which as unequivocally glorified war and persuaded its uneducated juvenile audience that the United States was already in a state of conflict with the Soviet Union, held the very same place at the top of the charts. Not so long before that, the audience as enthusiastically cheered *Rambo*'s lesson that the only good Red is a nuked Red.

This is, in fact, not so much civil war as schizophrenia. The audience that goes to *Platoon* and *Top Gun* is one and the same: the common denominator that draws them is the simple thrill of violent action: and Stone's optimism that it shows the "volatility in the political spectrum . . . *Platoon* has attracted quite a new audience into the cinema — a lot of older, thoughtful people" is naïve. The hortatory intelligence of *Platoon* and the gung-ho mindlessness of *Top Gun* compete for the same minds in the same market-place.

Certainly the central theme of *Platoon* is the division of American society. The motivating conflict is not so much that between the Americans and the North Vietnamese as between the Americans themselves. "I think now looking back we didn't fight the enemy: we fought ourselves, and the enemy was within us", reflects the protagonist, Chris (Charlie Sheen).

Chris is an undisguised self-portrait of the young Oliver Stone who at 21, a middle-class college drop-out, volunteered for Vietnam because he sincerely believed in America's fight against Communism. At the front Chris (whose letters to his grandmother provide the film's voice-over commentary) finds himself with "Guys nobody really cares about — they come from the end of the line . . . two years' high school's about it, maybe if they're lucky a job waiting for 'em back in a factory, but most of 'em got nothing. They're poor. They're the unwanted."

In the jungle combat zone the social divisions are less significant than the politico-moral conflict. The "grunts" divide naturally — regardlesss of racial or social difference — into the macho, moronic, happily psychotic killers and the instinctive liberals who escape from the realities of war into an improvised dope-smoking hippy society. The factions are symbolized by two veteran sergeants, the redneck Barnes (Tom Berenger), scarred in face and mind, and Elias (Willem Dafoe), full of dope and honourable intentions. These two, says Chris, "are fighting for my soul". This curious spiritual battle takes place in a world of moral chaos. War for Stone is unvaryingly degrading. There is no honour or heroism, only the struggle to survive.

"There is no honour or heroism, only the struggle to survive": Charlie Sheen's haunting Chris in *Platoon*

Far from HQ, the battle zone is a place of dirt and parasites, rivalries, confusion and sudden death. Officers have no authority: the natural leaders are the tough, the cunning, the bullies. Men are bitter, foul-mouthed, stupefied by drugs and capable, when frightened or crazy enough, of terrible atrocities — cold-blooded murder and rape.

Chris's first sight of the battle zone is of dead GIs being loaded in plastic body-bags. At the end, wounded and lifted out by helicopter, he watches the Vietnamese dead being bulldozed into pits. Between these points the story is formed around four actions, based on actual events witnessed by Stone in 1967-68, which are for Chris the circles of his Vietnam hell.

It has the air not so much of hindsight reflection as of an effort of personal exorcism (the script was written more than a decade ago, when Stone's Vietnam memories were closer). The elegiac quality of Georges Delerue's score, with its variations on Samuel Barber's Adagio for Strings, is in conscious contrast to the brutality of the images and the language.

Charlie Sheen's performance is all the more haunting for the uncanny resemblance to his father Martin Sheen at the time, eight years ago, when he played a comparable Vietnamese victim in *Apocalypse Now*. In a fine ensemble, Kevin Dillon (brother of Matt) is chilling as a psychotic delinquent who has found his niche in the battle zone, where "you get to do what you want".

As a single-handed effort of writing and direction, *Platoon* is a remarkable acheivement; though no small part of the credit for its narrative force must go to Claire Simpson, whose dynamic editing amply merits its Academy Award.

Tough Guys is an inoffensively silly comedy vehicle for Kirk Douglas (aged 70) and Burt Lancaster (73), supported by Eli Wallach (71) and Alexis Smith (65). Douglas and Lancaster come out of jail after a 30-year sentence for America's last train hold-up. Both find it hard to come to terms with a world much different from the one they left; but in the end the duo triumph over time and destiny with a reprise of their crime, as the old train steams on its final run.

The script is sloppy, indulgent and repetitive as it takes on all the predictable comic targets. The old gentlemen face and outmatch muggers, teenagers, bank robbers, welfare officials and an aged, myopic gunslinger (Wallach) with a 30-year-old contract on their lives. The script is by James Orr and Jim Cruickshank; and Jeff Kanew directs more sympathetically than might have been hoped from his previous experience on *Revenge of the Nerds*.

David Robinson

● David Robinson's weekly film column will in future appear on Thursday's Arts Page.

THEATRE

Spookhouse
Hampstead

Harvey Fierstein's piece of off-Broadway Gothic surfaced in New York three years ago in the wake of *Torch-Song Trilogy*. It may be that after smashing through Broadway's anti-homosexual prejudices he felt it was time to show the other side of the picture in a play about parenthood with a whale of a part for a star actress. If so, he has certainly loaded the dice, as the family inhabit an entertainment booth on Coney Island where Connie plies her trade as a fortune-teller and drags up three children who could well take over the roles of the ghouls on the ghost train that runs under her parlour.

Connie's eldest, the 16-year-old Wayne, is off the premises, having been rushed to hospital with a broken spine after raping an eight-year-old girl and falling off a fun-fair dragon. Even for his mother, this is the last straw; and, when a mild young social worker turns up with his release documents, it becomes clear that she is determined never to take him back. At which point the plot settles down into a battle of wills.

On neither side does it carry conviction. Connie says that if Wayne is there she will have nothing to give her other children; but all she does give them is the occasional Coke and avalanches of abuse which drive her pregnant daughter (Joanne Ridley) out of the house. Sam, her adversary, meanwhile fights back by roaming the fun-fair and enduring an interminable biographical tirade from Connie's defeated husband.

Robin Don has transformed this tiny stage into an amazing box of tricks where vampires and skeletal killers materialize amid satanic wails and the chugging arrival of the ghost train itself. But there is no way of telling whether Fierstein is saying that the family has been destroyed by this dreadful environment, or that people like this get the living conditions they deserve.

As in *Torch-Song* Fierstein remains a one-character playwright. What he achieves here is an unstoppable eruption of wounded, mendacious, viciously funny Manhattan defiance from Connie who, in Gwen Taylor's brass-lunged performance, quite properly blows every other character off Robin Lefevre's stage.

Irving Wardle

Gwen Taylor, blowing every other character off the stage

ROCK

Chris Isaak
Marquee

On a bad day, when some overpaid creative director is using another slice of your most private memories to sell — as Bob Dylan once put it — anything from toy guns that spark to flesh-coloured Christs that glow in the dark, Chris Isaak can sound like rock 'n' roll's last gasp. Even on a good day, come to think of it, his two albums (the second was released last week) eclipse practically everything else around, although an appreciation of their qualities is so far confined to the handful of people who attended his British début.

A young singer, guitarist and songwriter from California, Isaak inhabits the pre-Beatles world of "Only the Lonely", "Tell Laura I Love Her" and "Endless Sleep", which means that his forte is the three-chord pop melodrama delivered from behind the hooded eyes of the sort of boy celebrated in "He's a Rebel". Quiff, cheekbones and pout — he has a full set of the equipment needed to get a part in the ads for Levi's jeans or Calvin Klein's perfume, and a sultry croon besides.

Isaak is a revivalist, but the best of his songs throb with an authentic life of their own, while the deeper currents of "Blue Hotel" and "Waiting for the Rain to Fall" suggest real potential. These, and an attractive selection of cover versions (the choice of the Yardbirds' "Heart Full of Soul" and Them's "Baby Please Don't Go" paid a nicely judged tribute to the Marquee's history), were brilliantly executed on stage by Isaak's three-piece band, the Silvertones, whose lead guitarist, Jimmy Wilsey — a polished devotee of the king of surf guitar, Dick Dale — provides a secondary focus.

Isaak has a pleasant way with an audience, and has learnt from Springsteen the value of draping a little mythology around his backing musicians. People say he looks like the young Elvis, but I think he is subtler than that. He reminds of me the tragic hero played by Paul LeMat in *American Graffiti*: the sensitive hot-rodder powerless to avert the consequences of his own obsolescence.

Richard Williams

● Peter Skellern is to make a 30-venue tour of Britain with the Little Big Band, starting in Belfast on May 3.

Athol Fugard as the deserter long in hiding, with Suzanne Shepherd as his wife, in Fugard's own *A Place with the Pigs*

Fugard's solemn joy of fettered existence

Holly Hill reports from New York and New Haven on the valuable work of the Yale Repertory Theatre

The Yale Repertory Theatre is on a roll, and audiences in both its home city of New Haven, Connecticut, and in nearby New York are beneficiaries. Its production of August Wilson's Fences (Forty-Sixth Street Theatre), staged by Yale Rep's artistic director Lloyd Richards and starring James Earl Jones in the role of a lifetime, has just been acclaimed on Broadway. The night after *Fences* opened, the Rep in its own theatre presented the world première of Athol Fugard's **A Place with the Pigs**, directed by and co-starring the author. A week like this gives kindling enough to stoke a whole season.

Both plays sprawl and belabour symbols here and there, and each has aspects which strain credibility. Much more important, both have size, imagination and sovereign voices.

Inspired by the true story of a Second World War Russian soldier who became a deserter and spent 31 years hiding in a pigsty, Fugard's play is labelled "a personal parable". A lyrical comedy, it reaches from metaphysical speculation to grotesque antics (including between-scenes sound by David Budries mingling music and pig-snorting).

In the uninterrupted 90 minutes or so are four scenes showing the deserter Pavel and his wife after successive decades of his self-imposed exile. Each scene is organized around an action — plans for Pavel to surrender at a war memorial ceremony, his killing of a pig, a walk outside the sty, and his finding of "a crooked freedom that ties up a man's freedom and his surrender in the same battle".

In Fugard's first play set outside South Africa, "somewhere in the author's imagination", there is a solemn joy of life fettered only by the individual's failure to grasp it.

On the opening night at Yale, the play's humour was considerably muted, but will doubtless be further developed during the run and in subsequent productions. Mr Fugard appeared nervous, giving an intelligent but technical and subdued performance. Earning laughs by the simplest gesture or change of expression, Suzanne Shepherd created a warm-hearted wife whose maternal actions were touched with earthiness and humour and whose anger was mastered by a buoyant serenity.

In the penultimate moment of August Wilson's *Fences*, Gabriel blows his horn to signal Saint Peter to open the Pearly Gates, and no sound comes out of the battered instrument. He howls to Heaven, and his cry is as a trumpet. The symbolic and real actions capture the rage, anguish and yearning of black people in America almost a century after the Civil War.

The addle-brained Gabriel and his brother Troy's wife, children and best friend are satellites around Troy, a star whose existence is a titanic struggle against burning out. *Fences* tells — and tells as much as shows through characters relating stories — about Troy's life. It features little victories at work and as a Negro League baseball-player, and big defeats, gains and losses being principally weighed in his roles as husband, father and brother. His relationships have similarities to Willy Loman's, and some will see *Fences* as Wilson's variation on *Death of a Salesman*, a fair comment if one adds that it has a sensuality and robust humour alien to Arthur Miller's universe.

As in his 1985 Broadway drama *Ma Rainey's Black Bottom*, the black poet August Wilson thinks on a mythic scale. His central figures have their counterparts in classical tragedy.

James Earl Jones gives an astonishing performance as Troy. He is erotic, frightening, contemptible, hilarious, pathetic and of a giant's stature even on his knees. Like a black Bach playing upon himself, he performs intricate emotional counterpoint with perfect passion and control. As his wife, Mary Alice is a match on a human scale, and the whole cast rises to Wilson's challenge under Lloyd Richard's dynamic and meticulous direction.

CONCERT

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No disrespect intended, but it struck me as wholly appropriate that the most commercially-minded of our orchestras should have taken it upon themselves to give the first performance of a work by one of the most commercially-minded of our composers, Geoffrey Burgon. *Title Divine*, the new piece in question, was commissioned by the Royal Philharmonic Society. Quite evidently it is not a commercially motivated work, but neither, alas, is it very remarkable in more purist terms.

Burgon, one suspects, found putting together this cycle of six settings of poems by Emily Dickinson no straightforward matter. Or, if he did find it simple, it ought perhaps to have been much harder.

Perhaps the most testing of the songs for the listener was the second, "Better — than Music!". Here, despite Burgon's fluency, gained no doubt from his prolific output of incidental scores, the music did not sound in the least as though it was trying to convey something beyond the ecstasies of its own art. Both rhythmically and melodically, the writing seemed particularly dull here. And throughout the cycle there was too much recourse to literal and regular repetition of brief ideas for no good reason.

The last song, "I Went to Heaven", ended with two flutes in austere close canon and a fading snare-drum figure that in other circumstances might have proved an effective dissolve. Here, though, no tension has been created, and the gesture sounded oddly disembodied, quite unrelated to anything that had gone before.

The performance, conducted by Sir Charles Mackerras, was worthy enough, though Heather Harper seemed to be in rather subdued voice, shaping her phrases with unsympathetic stiffness — that is, until a glance at the score revealed how few are the expressive indications Burgon gives his soloist.

There were glimpses of playing of higher quality in Haydn's "Drum-roll" Symphony, No 103, and in Stravinsky's *Petrushka*, given in its version of 1911, though still the latter could have done with a coat or two of European Community Youth Orchestra gloss.

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Jobless queue to replace sacked black railwaymen

From Ray Kennedy, Johannesburg

Queues of jobless workers, both black and white, formed yesterday at the recruitment centre of South African Transport Services (Sats) in Johannesburg, as the state-owned railways, airport and ports organization finalized what it described as "administrative arrangements" to dismiss between 18,000 and 22,000 black strikers.

According to Sats, about 900 new staff have already been engaged, mostly as delivery drivers. It said 6,000 strikers had already been dismissed.

The official death toll from Wednesday's savage confrontations, which involved the police, strikers and hundreds of blacks in Soweto, Johannesburg's black satellite city, who have launched a three-day work stayaway over rent boycott evictions, rose yesterday to seven.

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The Bureau for Information confirmed that an 18-year-old boy had been killed in Soweto by police bullets. The other six were killed when the police confronted angry strikers at Germiston, east of Johannesburg, and at Johannesburg's suburban Doornfontein station.

Later hundreds of police surrounded the headquarters of the radical black Council of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu). They went through the 12-storey building floor by floor and, according to state-run radio, about 400 people were detained for questioning.

The building houses the offices of a number of Cosatu affiliates, including the South African Railway and Harbour Workers Union (Sarhwu), which Sats has refused to negotiate with throughout the six-week rail strike.

Although it appeared from the events late on Wednesday that the authorities had embarked on a crackdown against radical black unions, there are also indications of control breaking down on both sides.

The police action began at Germiston where, according to Cosatu, about 1,000 strikers were meeting to discuss the ultimatum to return to work or be dismissed. The police maintain that it was an illegal gathering under the state of emergency, and that they fired tear gas when the crowd refused to disperse.

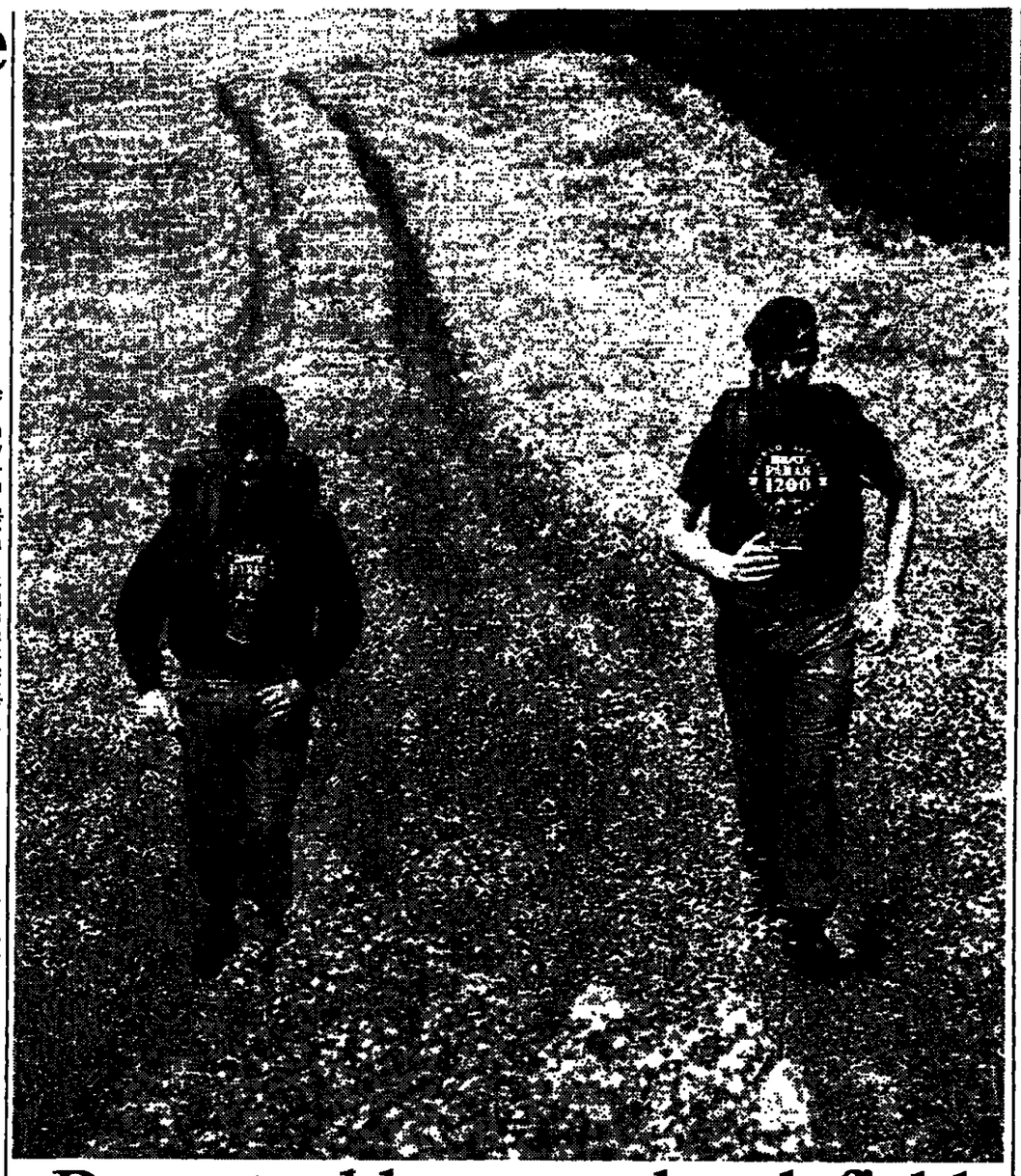
Three men were shot dead, and as reports of the clash reached Cosatu's Johannesburg offices Sarhwu members marched to the nearby Doornfontein station to board trains for Germiston.

They were in an angry mood. Police, called in on Easter Monday to guard railway installations, were on the platforms when the strikers arrived. Four policemen were stabbed and two are still seriouly ill in hospital. The police opened fire and three men were killed.

Sarhwu's education secretary, Mr Mike Roussos, says it is possible that some of the workers involved were armed. "It is inevitable that in a highly charged situation such as this there will be clashes."

Similarly, by the time the police mounted their siege of the Cosatu headquarters they were also visibly in an angry mood following the attacks on their colleagues.

The six-week strike began with the dismissal by Sats of a black driver over a 40 rands (£12.50) cash irregularity.



Paras tackle a new battlefield

Corporal David Lee (left) and Corporal Jack Raeper, both aged 27 and Falklands veterans, striding through a field of rape in Essex yesterday in a 1,200 hike they hope will break records. They and six colleagues from 2 and 3 Parachute Regiment hope to cover a route between Inverness and their headquarters in Aldershot in 10 days. Yesterday they were 14 hours ahead of schedule and they plan to march into Aldershot on Sunday, via the South Coast. Some of them have battle scars; Cpl Raeper has splinter fractures to his shins and another hiker has a knee injury. Sergeant Martin Margerison, aged 29, had to be replaced for two days this week when his knee locked. The men, six of whom went to the Falklands, are raising money for the National Council for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and the British Heart Foundation.

(Photograph: John Rogers).

Ex-MI6 chief was a homosexual

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been right. I am still too saddened about the whole thing. This was after all about a friend of mine, a man of whom I had been fond.

"One thing that I had not known before Mrs Thatcher spoke and which now astonishes me is that his positive vetting had been withdrawn. That is a very serious step, indeed it's a fantastic thing to happen to someone who has been in his position. It is a tragic story.

"What I mean by that is that he would have had to have lied officially, perhaps again and again. For every five years he would have been routinely questioned by a senior member of the MI6 and routinely — probably apologetically — asked the question, 'Have you ever indulged in homosexual practices....Are you homosexual?' He would have had to answer 'No'.

"And then sign the statement swearing to that lie. This fact alone, that he had faked his positive vetting over many years, made him instantly blackmailable.

"This surely proves though it makes me unpopular in the gay community that I am right to say that homosexuals are too vulnerable to be given sensitive posts in MI5 and MI6 or GCHQ. You simply cannot have them.

"Like Mrs Thatcher I remain convinced that Maurice Oldfield was no traitor. And I am delighted that she chose to emphasize his intelligence successes.

"One of the great coups of the British secret services was the defection of Oleg Gordievsky, head of the KGB's mission in Britain. That was officially after Oldfield had left MI6: I remain convinced that he had been turned earlier by teams under Maurice's supervision, and this stands as one of his great triumphs.

"His friends will be horrified by this confirmation. I am sorry for them in this, even those who vilified me said what I alleged was impossible, that they knew the man too well, that Maurice Oldfield could 'never have been homosexual — because I above all would have known.'

"I can tell you something else, that when Oldfield went to the USA for a time in the mid-1960s, he found that his being a bachelor was making the American Intelligence Services very uneasy indeed: after Philby and Burgess, why not? Maurice volunteered to take a polygraph test for the FBI or CIA — it caused a bit of embarrassment. They all said 'oh no, not necessary, wouldn't hear of it.' I think that shows how confident he was that his secret would not come out."

Labour poster employs a 'phoney' dole queue

By Michael McCarthy

A minor stitch in the rich tapestry of pre-election politics came undone for the Labour Party yesterday when it was revealed that the dole queue pictured on their latest campaign poster was not real.

The London Evening Standard said that the queue pictured outside an unemployment benefit office on the poster, which appears with the slogan, "The millionaires or the millions. We all know who the Tories care about", consists of people paid £25 each to stand in line and pose for the photograph.

They had been hired at the Camden Unemployment Centre in North London and taken to a disused office in the East End where the picture was taken. It was alleged that not all of those involved were unemployed, while some were Alliance voters.

Lord Young, Secretary of State for Employment, said: "I see that the Camden Unemployment Centre is at it again, this time manufacturing dole queues for Labour. Perhaps they are trying to tell us what life under Labour would be like."

The Labour Party, however, rebutted criticism, insisting that all those pictured were indeed out of work and all knew exactly why the photograph was being taken.

"We reject the suggestion that this is a fraud", a spokesman said. "The real fraud lies with the Government who are busy fiddling the unemployment figures. This picture depicts the real face of the unemployed. These are not actors, as the Tories themselves once used."

In August 1978 the Tories produced a similar dole-queue poster with the slogan "Labour isn't working".

To the discomfiture of Conservative Central Office, it was revealed that the "unemployed" consisted entirely of employees of Saatchi and Saatchi, the advertising agency used by the party.

Profession's warm reaction

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haemorrhaging of nurses from the health service", Mr Clay said.

The award for nurses have been deliberately weighted to favour newly qualified nurses and ward sisters where the drain on the system has been most acute. A staff nurse on £6,475 will get a 12.7 per cent increase bringing her salary to £7,300. After five years the salary will rise from £7,750 to £8,600. A ward sister at the maximum of the grade will get a £1,200 rise bringing her salary to £12,000.

The British Medical Association welcomed the Government's decision to meet the bulk of the cost of the award, but urged Mr Fowler to ensure that the salaries of academic staff employed by universities and medical and dental schools should rise at the same time as their National Health Service colleagues.

The BMA warned that previous attempts to delay the pay increases for academic staff should not be repeated.

The Institute of Health Services Management also welcomed the Government's recognition of the importance of retaining nurses in the National Health Service.

The shadow Social Services Secretary, Mr Michael Meacher, last night reminded the Government that the pay award for nurses still meant that a staff nurse got less than £150 a week before tax.

"They could and should have got more. Top professionals and judges on salaries of £70,000 had been given a further £60 a week under the same awards", Mr Meacher said.

The new pay scales of the 313,000 members of the armed forces will range from a 4.45 per cent rise to £81,000 a year for the top job, the Chief of the Defence Staff, Admiral of the Fleet, Sir John Fieldhouse, to a 4.5 per cent increase to £5,512 for the most junior post, the recruit.

The highest awards go to Lieutenant Colonels whose pay will rise by 7 per cent to £27,271, and Corporals, who will receive a 6.8 per cent increase to £10,493. The Royal Navy and RAF equivalents to Lieutenant Colonel are Commander and Wing Commander.

Only those who come under the top peoples' pay scheme, the most senior officers down to but excluding Brigadier, are to have their award paid in two instalments, from April and October.

Last year the pay rises, which ranged from 5.5 per cent to 9.5 per cent, were deferred until July and in 1984 the award was paid in two parts. The decision caused anger among many officers who were approaching retirement before the second stage of the pay rise was implemented since their pensions were assessed on the basis of their final salary.

Government approves pay awards in full

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resentment and many difficulties with retaining skilled staff. It is a pity it requires an election to bring justice to nurses' pay."

Mr Simon Hughes, the Alliance health spokesman, said: "The British people must make sure they do not re-elect a government which only awards nurses a decent rise in election years."

The cost of the top salaries and armed forces' awards will be met from existing public expenditure plans. But more than half the £716 million cost of implementing the awards for nurses and doctors and dentists will be additional money taken from the reserves.

The top pay awards means that the salary of Sir Robert Armstrong, the Cabinet Secretary and Civil Service head, will go up by £3,600 to £81,000.

Pay - performance link for 80,000 in Whitehall

By Sheila Gunn, Political Staff

The next step in the Government's radical shake-up of Whitehall was disclosed last night when Mrs Margaret Thatcher announced that the pay of more than 80,000 Civil Servants will be geared to performance from April 1988.

It is part of the drive to attract and keep the best Civil Servants, while increasing incentives for high-flyers and penalizing time-servers.

The Prime Minister emphasized yesterday the Government's enthusiasm for strengthening the link between pay and performance throughout the Civil Service.

From October 1 the best senior staff can vie for merit increases, withdrawable if performance falls off over a prolonged period, she said.

The scheme, affecting grade two and three staff, was urged by the Top Salaries Review Body.

Ministers are also known to be keen to see more two-way traffic between Whitehall and the business world with the possibility of exchanges for one or two years.

While delighted at departmental savings, they are still frustrated by the lack of accountability and budget-consciousness.

Mrs Thatcher said in a Commons written answer yesterday that agreement has been reached with the Institution of Professional Civil Servants linking pay for many members to performance markings in annual appraisal reports.

A system of performance bonuses has been working on an experimental basis for the middle grades from three to seven from 1985. The Prime Minister said that would be replaced next year by a permanent performance-related scheme for grades four to seven.

Thatcher hint at poll

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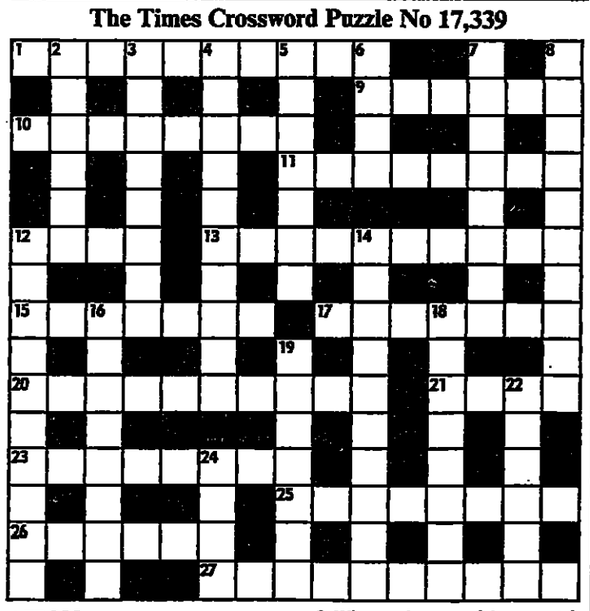
benefits on a regional basis. But they have decided against any changes, at least for the moment, except for young people.

In her Commons Question Time yesterday Mrs Thatcher sharply condemned teachers for their continued disruption of schooling despite what she called "the best pay deal they have ever had".

Declaring that what had been seen on television from the teachers' conferences this week had not enhanced their status, Mrs Thatcher continued: "Parents will have no sympathy whatsoever with teachers who disrupt their children's education and deliberately set out to damage their children's educational prospects."

Ministers, who noted the unsuccessful appeal from Mr Giles Radice, the Shadow Education Secretary, to teachers unions to call off their action to avoid harming Labour's electoral prospects, believe that Labour will be harmed more than the Government by any further industrial action from the teachers.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 17,339



ACROSS

1 Book dwelling on fish (5,5).
9 He doesn't hesitate to name boy (6).
10 Swindles symbolized by double-cross (3-5).
11 Phrygian king helping to keep one's spirits up (8).
12 Excess left in passage (4).
13 Predict the French crew's place (10).
15 Book title, by James (4,3).
17 Continue to take wickets (4,3).
20 Actress takes carriage to part of capital (4,6).
21 Makes one second — we had to come first (4).
23 Tory's conclusion on Liberal amendment? Certainly (8).
25 Report, for example, from important person (3,5).
26 Manage to get title (6).
27 Throw from Black Bess on way to York, say (6,4).

DOWN

2 American poet's short measure (6).
3 Witnessed at cricket match England's boundaries (8).
4 Away skating? Certainly not, in this government department (4,6).
5 Arrogant type on horse goes over jump (7).
6 Plane held in revenge (4).
7 Dagger that's sharp till cut in fight (8).
8 View 5's document about school (10).
12 Misses excellent writer (10).
14 Capital supporter of Wellington at Waterloo (10).
16 Stock-taking? It's not very clear to auditors (8).
18 Energetic cleaner just entering office (3,5).
19 Christopher Mahon or Ronnie Winslow, perhaps (7).
22 One having natural gift about source of spring (6).
24 Grouse meat (4).

Concise crossword, page 10

Solution to Puzzle No 17,338

WEATHER

General situation: low pressure will drift from the Bay of Biscay into the south-west approaches. London, the Midlands, north Wales and the North-West will be very warm, dry and sunny at first, cloudy later, with light to moderate winds. The south coast, the West Country and south Wales will also be warm, but cooler near coasts; dry and sunny at first with coastal fog patches, cloudy with showers later, thundery in the west. All areas will be warm with sunny periods and some cloud later in the day. Outlook for tomorrow and Sunday: cloudy with rain or showers, becoming dry from the south-west.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.

		C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	18	64	Madrid	s	22	72
Akrotiri	c	21	70	Majorca	s	24	75
Alex'dria	s	28	82	Malaga	c	16	61
Algiers	s	23	73	Malta	s	19	66
Amst'dam	s	18	64	Melb'rne	c	15	59
Athens	f	17	63	Milan	s	18	64
Bahrain	s	28	82	Montreal*	s	12	54
Barbados*	f	31	88	Moscow	c	0	32
Barcelna	s	17	63	Munich	s	14	57
Belgrade	s	14	57	Nairobi	f	25	77
Berlin	c	14	57	Naples	s	20	68
Bermuda*	c	22	72	N Delhi	s	37	99
Biarritz	s	25	77	N York*	c	18	64
Borde'x	s	21	70	Nice	s	19	66
Brussels	s	18	64	Oslo	s	13	55
Budapst	f	14	57	Paris	s	20	68
Cairo	s	29	84	Peking	s	24	75
Cape Tn	f	18	64	Perth	r	25	77
C'blanca	c	19	66	Prague	s	12	54
Chicago*	r	9	48	Reykjvik	c	9	48
Ch'church	f	14	57	Rhodes	f	19	66
Cologne	s	18	64	Rio de J	s	27	81
C'phagn	c	16	61	Riyadh	s	34	93
Corfu	f	21	70	Rome	s	19	66
Dublin	f	12	54	Salzburg	s	16	61
Dubrovnik	s	18	64	S Frisco*	f	19	66
Faro	f	19	66	Seoul	s	14	57
Florence	s	22	72	Sing'por	f	28	82
Frankfurt	s	17	63	Stckholm	f	15	59
Funchal	f	20	68	Strasb'rg	s	18	64
Geneva	s	17	63	Sydney	c	19	66
Gibraltar	s	19	66	Tangier	s	22	72
Helsinki	f	11	52	Tel aviv	s	22	72
Hong K	s	29	84	Tenerife	s	25	77
Innsbrck	s	17	63	Tokyo	s	21	70
Istanbul	c	8	46	Toronto*	f	11	52
Jeddah	s	33	91	Tunis	s	20	68
Jo'burg*	s	25	77	Valencia	s	22	72
Karachi	s	37	99	Vanc'ver*	s	9	48
L Palmas	s	24	75	Venice	s	15	59
Le Tquet	f	20	68	Vienna	s	13	55
Lisbon	f	20	68	Warsaw	r	6	43
Locarno	s	16	61	Wash'ton*	s	27	81
L Angels*	s	31	88	Wel'ngton	r	14	57
Luxembrg	s	17	63	Zurich	s	16	61

* denotes Wednesday's figures are latest available

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	10.2	-	17	63	sunny
Bridlington	9.9	-	12	54	sunny
Cromer	10.8	-	19	66	sunny
Lowestoft	11.8	-	14	57	sunny
Clacton	11.2	-	13	55	sunny
Southend	11.0	-	19	66	sunny
Margate	*	-	19	66	sunny
Folkestone	11.4	-	18	64	sunny
Hastings	12.1	-	19	66	sunny
Eastbourne	13.4	-	15	59	sunny
Brighton	11.5	-	17	63	sunny
Worthing	12.5	-	16	61	sunny
Littlehmptn	12.1	-	18	64	sunny
Bognor R	12.5	-	15	59	sunny
Southsea	12.8	-	15	59	sunny
Sandown	12.8	-	*	*	sunny
Shanklin	12.4	-	15	59	sunny
Bournemth	12.4	-	18	64	sunny
Poole	12.3	-	18	64	sunny
Swanage	12.5	-	13	55	sunny
Weymouth	12.6	-	16	61	sunny
Exmouth	12.0	-	15	59	sunny
Torquay	11.9	-	16	61	sunny
Falmouth	*	-	14	57	sunny
Penzance	10.3	-	15	59	sunny
Scilly Isles	7.0	-	16	61	sunny
Jersey	13.0	-	22	72	sunny
Guernsey	13.4	-	19	66	sunny
Newquay	11.7	-	18	64	sunny
Ilfracombe	*	-	20	68	sunny
Minehead	11.7	-	17	63	sunny
B'pool Airpt	11.5	-	19	66	sunny
Morecambe	10.9	-	18	64	sunny
Douglas	7.9	-	15	59	sunny
B'ham Airpt	10.3	-	20	68	sunny
Bristol (Ctrl)	12.6	-	21	70	sunny
Carlisle	9.7	-	17	63	sunny
London	11.5	-	22	72	sunny
Manchester	11.0	-	19	66	sunny
N'ctl-n-Tyne	10.8	-	19	66	sunny
Nottingham	11.0	-	20	68	sunny
Anglesey	9.1	-	17	63	sunny
Cardiff (Ctrl)	12.5	-	19	66	sunny
Colwyn Bay	12.9	-	15	59	sunny
Tenby	11.1	-	15	59	sunny
Aberdeen	5.8	-	18	64	sunny
Edinburgh	1.1	-	17	63	bright
Eskdalemuir	9.7	-	17	63	sunny
Glasgow	0.1	-	14	57	cloudy
Kinloss	3.0	-	17	63	bright
Lerwick	1.5	-	13	55	cloudy
Prestwick	0.5	-	15	59	bright
Stornoway	0.4	-	11	52	bright
Tiree	0.4	.02	11	52	cloudy
Wick	5.8	-	15	59	sunny

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HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	11.58	6.5	—	—
Aberdeen	11.30	3.7	—	—
Avonmouth	5.04	11.1	5.42	11.4
Belfast	9.11	3.2	9.51	3.0
Cardiff	4.49	10.3	5.27	10.6
Devonport	3.48	4.8	4.32	4.8
Dover	9.34	5.8	9.49	5.9
Falmouth	3.18	4.6	4.02	4.6
Glasgow	11.02	4.2	11.46	4.1
Harwich	9.58	3.6	10.14	3.4
Holyhead	8.30	5.0	9.13	4.9
Hull	4.39	6.4	4.38	6.5
Ilfracombe	4.03	7.9	4.35	7.9
Leith	12.33	4.9	12.52	5.0
Liverpool	9.20	8.4	10.00	8.4
Lowestoft	7.59	2.2	7.25	2.2
Margate	10.22	4.3	10.24	4.3
Milford Haven	4.17	6.1	4.52	6.0
Newquay	3.14	6.1	3.47	6.1
Oban	4.24	3.5	4.59	3.2
Penzance	2.56	4.8	3.37	4.8
Portland	4.31	1.7	5.23	1.6
Portsmouth	9.35	4.0	10.13	4.3
Shoreham	9.28	5.3	10.00	5.8
Southampton	9.08	4.0	9.45	4.4
Swansea	4.27	8.0	5.02	8.1
Tees	1.57	4.8	2.02	4.7
W'ton-on-Nze	9.54	3.8	10.10	3.8

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

THE POUND

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.40	2.28
Austria Sch	21.75	20.65
Belgium Fr	64.35	60.95
Canada $	2.255	2.145
Denmark Kr	11.82	11.02
Finland Mkk	7.63	7.13
France Fr	10.23	9.73
Germany Dm	3.08	2.93
Greece Dr	220	218
Hong Kong $	13.20	12.50
Ireland Pt	1.158	1.098
Italy Lira	2190	2080
Japan Yen	243	229
Netherlands Gld	3.48	3.30
Norway Kr	11.44	10.84
Portugal Esc	235	225
South Africa Rd	4.45	3.65
Spain Pta	213.50	203.50
Sweden Kr	10.73	10.18
Switzerland Fr	2.53	2.40
USA $	1.704	1.624
Yugoslavia Dnr	1070	970

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques.

Retail Price Index: 100.6

London: The *FT* index closed up 8.4 at 1,555.

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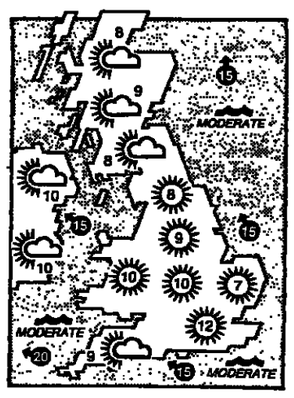

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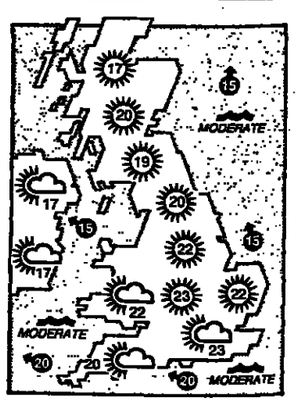

LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 8.41 pm to 5.15 am
Bristol 8.51 pm to 5.25 am
Edinburgh 9.07 pm to 5.14 am
Manchester 8.55 pm to 5.18 am
Penzance 8.59 pm to 5.40 am

LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 22C (72F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 8C (46F). Humidity: 6 pm, 45 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 11.5hrs. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,022.5 millibars, falling.
1,000 millibars=29.53in.

YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	c	13	55	Guernsey	s	17	63
B'mghm	s	18	64	Inverness	c	15	59
Blackpool	s	17	63	Jersey	s	20	68
Bristol	s	20	68	London	s	19	66
Cardiff	s	17	63	M'nchester	s	18	64
Edinburgh	c	15	59	Newcastle	s	16	61
Glasgow	c	13	55	N'ridaway	s	12	54

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 19C (66F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 7C (45F). Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 11 hrs.

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Moon rises 4.45 am — Moon sets 3.59 pm
New Moon April 28

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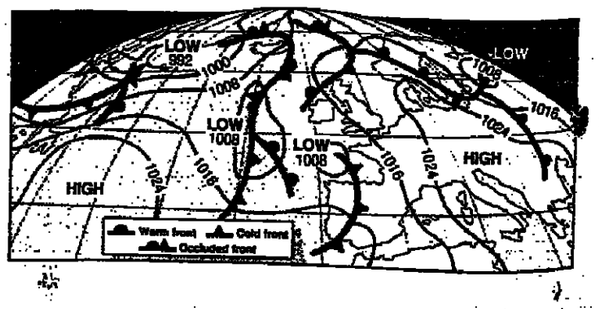

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Executive Editor
Kenneth Fleet

STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1555.2 (+8.4)

FT-SE 100
1968.3 (+12.6)

Bargains
38943 (33090)

USM (Datastream)
162.52 (–0.21)

THE POUND

US dollar
1.6355 (+0.0085)

W German mark
2.9693 (+0.0017)

Trade-weighted
72.5 (+0.1)

Guinnesss hit for £125m

Illicit share dealing cuts profits by half

By Lawrence Lever

Guinness has given its first estimate of the cost of the illicit share support operation behind its bid for Distillers, by making a provision of £125 million in its preliminary figures released yesterday. This wipes out more than half the company's profits after tax.

However pretax profits of £335 million coupled with optimistic statements for the future from Mr Anthony Tennant, the group chief executive, saw the company's shares rise 11p to 331p — the same price as on December 1 when government inspectors walked into the company's headquarters in Portman Square.

The figures cover a 15-month period to December 31, 1986, because Guinness is switching its year end to match that used by Distillers. In the 12-month figures to September 30, 1986, Guinness made pretax profits of £241 million.

Yesterday's results include eight months of Distillers, which contributed £216 million to the company's trading profits of £408 million.

The second interim dividend, delayed from January, will be paid on May 28. In addition the company is paying a final dividend in June of 2.88p, making 14.06p overall — an annualized increase of 9.3 per cent. Earnings per share were 38p compared to 29.9 pence for the 12 months to December 1986.

"The group is now in a very favourable position" Mr Tennant said, adding that "the board is convinced that from a business point of view the past can be put firmly behind us."

However, the company's auditor, Price Waterhouse, are to qualify the full audited figures which will be included in next month's annual report. This, it says, is because "proper accounting records were not kept" of the payments and other "unusual transactions and

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arrangements" made in return for supporting the Guinness share price during the Distillers bid.

The £125 million provision does not take into account any liability that Guinness may have from a legal action by the Argyll Group — the defeated party in the battle for control of Distillers. Argyll has already told its shareholders that it intends to sue Guinness.

In notes to the company's accounts which were released yesterday, Guinness says that a claim from Argyll "will be vigorously defended. Furthermore, based on opinions received from leading counsel and the company's professional advisers, the board has determined that it is not necessary to make any provision in the accounts in respect of these matters"

Argyll sources yesterday dismissed this treatment in the accounts as a legal necessity — since any provision would strengthen Argyll's case.

The auditor draws attention to the fact that no provision has been made in respect of Argyll, in their report at the end of the accounts.

The provision itself adopts a conservative approach by writing down Guinness's entire £68 million investment in the Boesky fund and £17 million of the £25 million mystery payments which Guinness has not yet recovered.

The final item in the provision is £40 million, which relates to the £7.6 million deposit with Henry Ansbacher, a £50 million deposit with Bank Leu and the dispute with the bank over unlawful indemnities given to it to buy Guinness shares.

New men move in at merchant bank

Mark Pepper

Sir Peter Carey: succeeding Lord Catto as chairman

Catto gives up Morgan chair

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

Morgan Grenfell yesterday took the final steps in its internal reorganization after the disruption caused by the Guinness scandal by appointing a chairman and chief executive.

The merchant banking group ended months of uncertainty by announcing that Sir Peter Carey was succeeding Lord Catto as group chairman and that Mr John Craven, the chairman of Pheonix Securities, was to be group chief executive.

The appointments take effect from May 5.

Sir Peter has been instrumental in limiting the damage to Morgan after its involvement in the Guinness affair. He heads the executive committee set up to run the group after pressure from the Bank of England earlier this year and played a key role in the introduction of tighter management controls at Morgan.

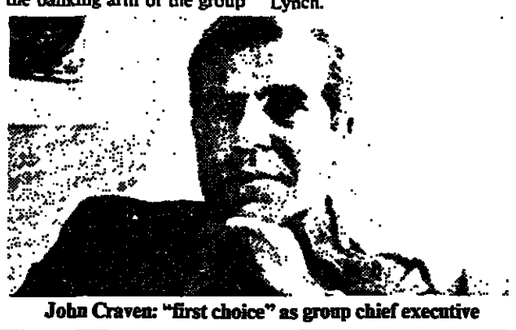
He will remain chairman of the banking arm of the group until a new chairman is chosen.

Mr Craven's appointment fills the gap left by the resignation of Mr Christopher Reeves three months ago. Pheonix Securities is being purchased by Morgan for an undisclosed amount as part of the deal although it will continue to operate independently.

Lord Catto, aged 63, who has been chairman of Morgan since 1980, is to become president of the group, a post created specifically for him.

Sir Peter said of the group chief executive's appointment: "John Craven was our first choice, although we looked at candidates in Britain and abroad. Mr Craven will assume all executive responsibilities at Morgan and I have no doubt we will work well together."

Mr Craven, aged 46, gained merchant banking experience at SG Warburg, Credit Suisse White Weld and Merrill Lynch.



John Craven: "first choice" as group chief executive

Vaux in £60m cash call

More than £60 million is being raised by Vaux, the Sunderland brewing and hotels group that remains a firm City takeover favourite.

Keen to expand its successful Swallow Hotels chain southwards, Vaux is asking shareholders to put up almost £36 million with a rights issue of new shares.

One new share is being offered for every five already held at a price of 470p — a discount of about 100p on current market levels.

The group is also raising £25 million through a new debenture stock. Vaux also announced half-time pretax profits up from £6.224 million to £7.306 million. The interim payment rises from 4.18p to 4.7p and a total for the year of 14.1p is being forecast — an increase of almost 13 per cent on the previous year.

The group's chain of 34 Swallow hotels made up some 43 per cent of trading profits over the half-year and Vaux directors are now planning to commit further substantial sums towards expanding the chain southwards.

Vaux shares dropped 10p to 568p on the news.

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Hawley's 59%

The offer by Hawley for British Car Auctions has been declared unconditional after Hawley bought or received acceptances for 59.2 per cent of BCA ordinary shares and 19.4 per cent of preference shares. The offer for ordinaries remains open and for preference shares for 14 days.

SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

New York	
Dow Jones	2279.12 (–6.82)
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	24024.61 (–73.18)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	2719.89 (+3.0)
Amsterdam: Gen	286.4 (–1.5)
Sydney: AO	1743.4 (–11.4)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1826.8 (–10.7)
Brussels:	
General	4587.80 (+15.87)
Paris: CAC	454.7 (+4.6)
Zurich: SKA Gen	532.00 (–1.40)
London: FT. A	n/a
FT. Gilts	81.01 (+0.38)

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INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 10%
3-month interbank 9 13/16-9 11/16%
3-month eligible bills: 9 17/32-9 15/32% buying rate
US: Prime Rate 7¾%
Federal Funds 6⅝%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.50-5.49%*
30-year bonds 89⅛-89 2/16*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.6355	£: $1.6405*
£: DM2.9693	$: DM1.8100*
£: SwFr2.4271	$: SwFr1.4800*
£: FFr9.8719	$: FFr6.0290*
£: Yen231.01	$: Yen141.05*
£: Index:72.5	$: Index:101.0
ECU £0.700195	SDR £0.792025

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:	
Morgan Crucible	256p (+13p)
Aberdeen Const.	258p (+16p)
Wiggins	215p (+19p)
Minty	935p (+20p)
T Cowie	468p (+28p)
Jaguar	579p (+11p)
Scott & Robertson	240p (+20p)
Ramers	364p (+19p)
Shiloh	320p (+17p)
British Vita	407p (+11p)
Clarke Nickolls	200p (+15p)
Sturge Holdings	415p (+17p)
Norank Systems	239p (+19p)
Savage Group	345p (+55p)
Tay Homes	382p (+37p)
Sun Life Assur.	1190p (+15p)
FALLS:	
Whessoe	110p (–18p)
Vaux Group	568p (–10p)
Hillsdown Hldgs.	266p (–14p)
Rank Org.	672p (–21p)

Prices are as at 4pm

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $453.00 pm-$450.50
close $452.50-453.25 (£276.75-277.50)
New York:
Comex $457.20-457.80*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (June) pm $17.75bbl ($18.25)
* Denotes latest trading price

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£144m placing at Hillsdown

By Michael Tate

Mr David Thompson is selling almost half his shareholding in Hillsdown Holdings, the food and furniture company he founded 12 years ago, for £144 million. It will be the biggest private share placing ever seen.

At the same time Mr Thompson is stepping down as joint chairman of the company. His co-founder, Mr Harry Solomon, is appointed sole chairman and Mr Thompson will become a non-executive director.

The reclusive Mr Thompson and his wife are selling 55.4 million shares in Hillsdown, whose string of interests include Buxted chickens, Daylay eggs, Harris meats and Nitrovit animal feeds, at 260p each. The shares have been placed with institutional investors by the company's stockbroker, Hoare Govett, but clawback arrangements have been made for existing shareholders.

All holders will be entitled to buy one share for every five held.

After the sale, Mr Thompson and his family will remain Hillsdown's largest single shareholder but the holding will have been reduced from 29.5 per cent to around 15.4 per cent, worth — at the sale price — a further £157 million. Mr Thompson has promised to hold the remaining shares until January 1989.

Mr Thompson, who is still only 50, founded Hillsdown with Mr Solomon, a solicitor, and a year his junior, in 1975, after he had left his family meat business (now part of the group) with an estimated £500,000. By the time they brought it to the stock market in February 1985 it was worth more than £250 million. Today it has a stock market price tag of almost £500 million, and last year became Britain's 100th largest company.

Mr Thompson, whose decision to stand down as joint chairman comes after 18 months of "indifferent health," says that the framework for the company's future growth is now "firmly established" and that he can take a back seat."

Tate limits stake in Berisford

By Teresa Poole

Tate & Lyle yesterday agreed not to raise its stake in S&W Berisford, the commodities group, to more than 39 per cent as part of a package of undertakings given to the Department of Trade and Industry. It follows the Monopolies and Mergers Commission report earlier this year which blocked rival bids for Britain's beat refining monopoly.

The new limit would allow Tate, which holds 14.9 per cent of Berisford, to purchase the 23.7 per cent stake owned by Ferruzzi, the Italian agricultural group. The ceiling previously agreed by Tate was 23.7 per cent in line with Ferruzzi's holding.

In February, bids from Tate and Ferruzzi for control of British Sugar, S&W Berisford's beat refining subsidiary, were stopped on monopolies grounds and Ferruzzi was told to reduce its stake to 15 per cent within two years.

Tate has now undertaken not to exercise voting rights attached to more than 15 per cent of shares in Berisford — extending a commitment made last year at the time of the referral — and not to acquire any shares in British Sugar. These undertakingsare not affected by the Secretary of State's powers to refer to the MMC any acquisitions above the 15 per cent level.

Mr David Davis, who is in charge of strategic planning at Tate, said: "All we are doing is keeping our options open."

Sir Richard Butler, chairman of the Ferruzzi subsidiary Agricola (UK), said there had been no approaches about the Berisford stake. Negotiations with the DTI on the details of reducing its holding are continuing.

SE plans London market for ADRs

By Our City Staff

The Stock Exchange is planning to create a market in London to trade British shares in American Depository Receipt form. The idea is that prices for ADRs in British stocks will be quoted on the Exchange's Seaq, the automated quotations system.

More than 100 British companies currently have their shares traded in ADR form, with the majority of the business transacted in the US. ADRs are dollar-denominated bank certificates and are a common method of trading British shares in the US.

The Exchange has already discussed its plan with Mr David Walker, the executive director of the Bank of England, who, according to Stock Exchange sources, has indicated his approval.

However, objections have been voiced by the Inland Revenue which fears that it will lose stamp-duty revenue from British institutions which would prefer to trade in the ADRs of British companies

At the moment, stamp duty of 0.5 per cent is payable on the purchase of ordinary shares, whereas no tax is payable on the trading of ADRs

A tax of 1.5 per cent was introduced on the creation of ADRs in the Finance Act, 1986. The Chancellor has originally intended the tax to be 5 per cent, but backed down after fierce lobbying

The idea behind the new ADR market is to create a regulated — and highly visible — environment for the trading of ADRs in London. As well as facilitating ADR trading for institutions, it would fit in with the new regulatory preference for trading in securities to take place through a Recognized Investment Exchange.

Hillards forecasts 45% profits jump

By Our City Staff

Hillards, the Yorkshire supermarket group, is forecasting profits of not less than £15 million for the year ending April 30, 1988 — 45 per cent higher than the £10.3 million expected for the current year.

It is unusual for a company to make a forecast so far in advance, but Hillards, fighting an unwelcome £140 million takeover bid from Tesco, is keen to make shareholders aware of the benefits that can be expected from the past few years' expansion, refurbishment and productivity programme.

Mr Peter Hartley, the chairman, said earnings will improve by 34 per cent to 18.1p in 1987-88. He added that the final dividend for the current year, ending on May 2, will be 2.825p, making 4p for the year — a 21 per cent increase.

Mr Hartley also said the company would be able to make further savings of about £2 million in the year 1988-89 when the new central distribution programme becomes operational.

Hillards shares improved 7p to 332p on publication of the defence document, comfortably higher than the 311p value of Tesco's 13-for-20 share offer and its 290.5p cash alternative.

Mr Hartley described Tesco's latest document as "both emotional and threatening," and claims its case is based on "alarmist, unfounded innuendo regarding the long-term future of Hillards, together with numerous half truths and misrepresentations."

Independent figures showing that it sells half as many products again as Tesco and 80 per cent of them more cheaply than Tesco, contrary to claims that it is uncompetitive, are included in the document.

British firms nearer entry into Japan

By Our City Staff

Japan's Ministry of Finance expects to license 21 foreign firms, including 12 British, to conduct discretionary investment management operations in Japan next month, Mr Toyo Gyoten, Deputy Minister of Finance for International Affairs, said in Tokyo.

The Diet passed the Investment Advisory Services Act last year in line with Japan's policy of opening up financial markets to foreign companies and de-regulating domestic markets. This established a regulatory framework requiring prior registration for investment advisory business and a special licence for discretionary investment management. Twenty-one foreign firms, including eight from Britain, have been registered this year.

Norcros hits back at Williams

Norcros yesterday defended itself against charges that it had painted too rosy a picture of its prospects on Wednesday when it predicted record pretax profits of £62 million for the current year. That was £9 million more than it was forecasting two weeks ago.

Mr Brian McGowan, managing director of Williams, whose 442p share-swap bid for Norcros expires in five days' time, scorned Norcros's ability to meet its new targets and suggested the plumper forecasts contained profits on properties and reflected pension fund holidays. The Norcros management rejected this yesterday.

Chain stores expansion boosts group profits to £70.1 million

Bigger and better Littlewoods

By Derek Harris
Industrial Editor

The Littlewoods Organisation, Britain's biggest private company with interests ranging from football pools to high street shopping, raised pretax profits by 15.9 per cent to £70.1 million last year.

The big improvement came from its chain stores, where profits before interest jumped 53 per cent to £19.7 million, and follows a continued high level of investment in refurbishing the stores chain, now up to 110 after the opening of new stores during 1986 at Dumfries and the out-of-town Metro Centre at Gateshead.

Investment in the group as a whole doubled in 1986 to £35 million. Because Littlewoods was able to fund this mainly from its own resources, bank borrowings were kept low and interest charges rose to only £8 million from £6.9 million.

As new businesses — including other shopping chains and financial services — are expanded, investment this year is expected to rise to £60 million, of which £32 million will go on the chain stores where the refurbishing programme is due for completion next year. Nearly £10 million is being spent on the Littlewoods store at the eastern end of Oxford Street after the refurbishing of the other branch near Marble Arch.

Clement with a replica of Littlewoods Challenge cup

While return on sales has risen to just under 4 per cent at the chain stores, Littlewoods is still looking for a more satisfactory performance, said Mr Desmond Pitcher, the group's chief executive. The aim is to raise this to 8 per cent, which might take two to three years, he added.

Littlewoods has moved into the catalogue showroom sector — so far dominated by BAT's Argos — with The Catalogue Shop, which has four outlets, three opened last year. Another 17 are due to start selling this year, some of them within Littlewoods chain stores. Inside Story, a specialist homeware chain, is being expanded, with two more outlets due to open this year.

Mail order, the biggest Littlewoods core business, lifted pretax profits by 6.5 per cent to £43.9 million. This has now become the home shopping division, reflecting the growth of sales through electronic channels such as Prestel. While mail order as a sector is growing at about 1 per cent a year, home shopping overall is seeing growth rates of about 25 per cent.

Mr John Clement, the group chairman, said: "The 1986 sales growth was satisfactory and continued the trend of 1985 when total sales showed an increase after a period of standstill in the early 1980s. Mail order sales rose despite a poor start to the year.

"We are confident that 1987 will be the fifth year of growth in terms of sales and profits."

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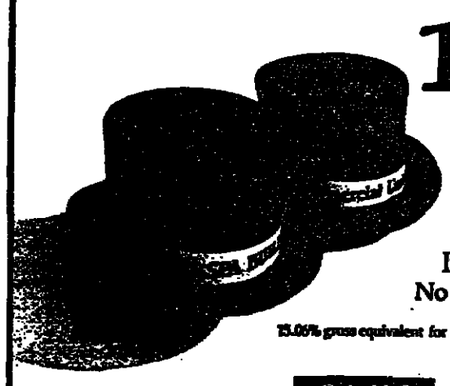

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BUSINESS SUMMARY

Boesky pleads guilty to conspiracy charge

Mr Ivan Boesky, the American arbitrageur and the biggest Wall Street figure named in the government's investigation of illegal insider trading, pleaded guilty to a charge of conspiring to make false statements to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Mr Boesky, who co-operated with the authorities in the inquiry, now faces a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a fine of $250,000 (£153,000).

Mr Boesky had already paid a record $100 million in penalties to settle related civil charges brought last year by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Wrightson on takeover path

Stewart Wrightson is holding talks with the directors of Martin Paterson Associates to acquire the company and its subsidiaries. Martin Paterson is a firm of actuaries and benefit consultants and its fee income is expected to be £3 million this year. Its business will be merged with that of the Stewart Wrightson Benefit Consultancy.

GKN makes £4m US buy

The GKN engineering and motor car parts group is paying £4.1 million for Sparks Tune-Up, a 143-strong franchised chain of engine tuning shops in the US. The purchase, from MAACO Enterprises, will complement GKN's existing Meineke Discount Muffler shops, which fit exhausts and shock absorbers.

Chrysalis profits soar

A healthy performance in all its main divisions, but particularly in its record companies, helped Chrysalis to more than double its profits to £5.04 million for the half year to December 31. The company is paying an interim dividend of 2p, the same as at this time last year.

Turnover was up to £68.65 million at the half-way stage from £45.57 million and earnings per share rose to 12.53p from 6.39p. Chrysalis is looking for further acquisitions in the leisure-based industry.

French agree Eurotunnel

The five main political groups in the French National Assembly have passed unanimously the first reading of two bills on the Channel Tunnel, one approving the Franco-British treaty giving the go-ahead, the other the concession for its construction and exploitation to the Franco- British consortium, Eurotunnel.

US economy grows 4.3%

The US economy grew by a surprisingly strong 4.3 per cent in the first quarter, fueled by growth in business inventories and a strong export performance. The growth was the highest since the second quarter of 1984. Officials gave a warning, however, that the figures may be have to undergo revision.

BSB appoints chief

Sir Trevor Holdsworth, chairman of GKN, is to join British Satellite Broadcasting in July as chairman, it was announced last night. The appointment is expected to strenghten BSB's image in the City as it seeks to complete its first round of external financing. Sir Trevor, aged 59, says he will devote a substantial amount of his time to BSB before he retires from GKN in May, 1988.

BSB, which hopes to launch its first satellite in 1989, has still to appoint a full-time chief executive. The venture, owned by Granada, Pearson, Virgin, Amstrad and Anglia Television intends to provide a three-channel service including news, feature films, general entertainment and children's programmes.

STOCK MARKET

Stores sector jumps on hopes of spree

By Cliff Feltham

Shares in the stores sector moved sharply ahead yesterday, in anticipation of a Conservative victory in a general election and the possibility of a renewed high street buying spree.

One of the fastest risers was **Ratners**, Britain's largest jewellery-shop chain, which surged by 21p to a new peak of 366p.

Mr Andrew Coppel, the finance director, said: "We seem to be benefiting from strong buying of shares in the retail sector in the run-up to the election. The market seems short of stock. There is certainly nothing mysterious about the rise in our price."

Dealers were encouraged by the performance in London, particularly as trading in Wall Street yesterday had got off to a sluggish start. Gilts also held on to rises of up to half a point.

There was strong support for the banks following a general re-rating by City analysts, **NatWest** climbing 17p to 613p, **Barclays** going 15p better at 520p, **Lloyds** advancing 29p to 534p and **Midland** surging to 674p, an improvement of 36p.

At the close, the FT 30 share index was up by 8.4 at 1,555.2, while the FT-SE 100 finished 12.6 ahead at 1,968.3.

Burton Group, the Debenhams and Dorothy Perkins stores chain, burst into life with a 9p rise to 285p. The shares have been depressed for some time by the fears of a DTI investigation and many followers think it is only a matter of time before they come in for some serious re-rating.

In a recent circular, Phillips & Drew, the broker, said that the shares are cheap — even in the unlikely event of these fears being realized.

The interim figures showed significant progress in the core-businesses and a steady improvement at Debenhams. The broker said that, although sales growth in March was slightly behind the first-half trend, the general background remains encouraging and the continued market share should put the group on course for a good, full-year outcome. It is looking for pretax profits of £187 million, up from £149 million.

APV Baker, the process-plant supplier, came in for some profit-taking after its 81 per cent profit jump and the shares drifted back by 10p to 630p. County Securities says that 1987 will be a year of consolidation as APV and Baker Perkins are brought together and it looks for some strong growth in 1988, rating the shares as a long-term "buy."

The £60 million-plus, cash-raising exercise by **Vaux Group**, the Swallow Hotels and Sunderland-based brewing group, pushed the shares back by 10p to 568p. The thrust of the group's expansion is likely to turn hotels into the dominant part of the business. But **Wolverhampton & Dudley Breweries** retains a 5 per cent stake and the shares will continue to be the focus of bid-attention for sometime to come.

Elsewhere in the sector, **Scottish & Newcastle Breweries** went 2p better at 226p, **Bass** improved by 3p at 882p, while **Allied-Lyons**, after edging ahead, came back unchanged at 381p. The burst of good weather, say the analysts, means good business for public houses and the shares could be strong performers.

Rotork, the valve-control specialist, moved 4p higher, following a mention in this column yesterday, before settling back, unchanged, at 184p.

British Vita, the foam, fibres and polymers group, attracted further support following a bullish annual meeting statement, lifting the shares to 407p, an 11p rise.

Jaguar powered ahead on the back of a strong order-flow, rising another 11p to 579p, taking its gain over the last two days to 25p.

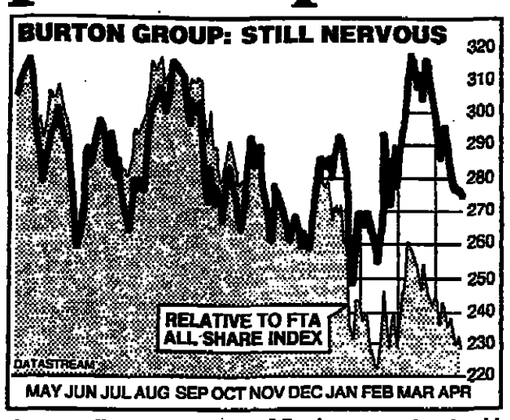
Laura Ashley, the fashion chain, was subdued, having failed to meet some analysts' forecasts in its latest figures and drifted back by 1p to 170p. **Combined English Stores**, still strongly tipped as a merger partner for someone in the sector, advanced another 7p to 272p.

Body Shop was good for a 5p rise at 830p, **Etam** went 23p ahead at 265p on improved profits and encouraging prospects for the current year, while generally improved trading prospects helped **Marks and Spencer** up to 222p, a rise of 7p.

● **FRANKFURT:** Share priceson the Frankfurt stock exchange closed mostly lower in thin trading yesterday, wiping out some of the gains from Wednesday's rally. The Commerzbank index finished down 10.7 at 1826.8.

● **HONG KONG:** Share pricesclosed mixed in moderate trading. The Hang Seng index finished at 2,719.89, up 3.0.

● Glynwed International, the West Midlands industrial group, is tired of its stodgy image in the City which it believes fails to take account of its recent earnings growth. Further acquisitions could be on the cards. The shares, up 4p yesterday at 425p,reflect the improved performance.



TEMPUS

Guinness is still only for the very brave

The high drama surrounding Guinness makes it easy to forget that lurking in the wings is a multi-billion pound, international, branded consumer products group.

At the trading level, the business appears not to have been unduly affected by the excitements in the board room — a tribute to the operational management.

A new strategy for the drinks division to strengthen its marketing and distribution position and to sell Guinness' retail operations is being put into action.

This will reduce costs, give the group a sharper focus and reduce gearing which is uncomfortably high at more than 80 per cent.

It is ironical, that Guinness' supposedly ex-growth markets, in particular stout, are demonstrating above average trading performance both in Britain and in the US. Lager is also advancing strongly.

Whisky has fared less well although the worst appears to be over — volume declines of around 10 per cent have been replaced by falls of a few per cent.

It is still difficult to pinpoint the underlying trend as the comparable figures are distorted both by the imposition of a Federal Excise Tax in 1985 and by frenetic export activity by Distillers during the Argyll bid.

The US is an important market and currencies will take their toll but some of the negative effect will be offset by increased efficiencies.

The £125 million extraordinary provision is conservative in that it allows for monies which may yet be recovered. But no allowance is made for an Argyll-initiated court case.

Guinness should increase 1987 earnings per share to 30p indicating pretax profits of at least £410 million. The shares look cheap but the cautious may still be deterred.

It is a brave man who says that all of the nasties are out of the way but Guinness's credibility would be well and truly scuppered if more compromising disclosures were made hereafter. The downside is limited but it may be some time before the shares perform. In the meantime, the brave should build up their holdings.

Vaux Group

A change in emphasis is under way at the Sunderland brewer Vaux Group, which also operates the chain of Swallow Hotels. Analysts will soon be viewing it as a hotel chain with brewing interests.

This is the inescapable conclusion from yesterday's big fund-raising exercise to step up Swallow's expansion.

The group is undertaking a two-pronged cash raising operation, asking shareholders for £35.8 million via a one-for-five rights issue at 470p, and proposing to raise a further £25 million by the issue of new debenture stock.

The half-time results, published at the same time, show pretax profits up by 17.4 per cent at £7.3 million.

Vaux is the seventh-largest hotelier in Britain with 3,386 rooms in 34 hotels. Interest in the shares is focused on the intentions of Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries with a 5 per cent stake. The shares fell 10p to 568p, but remain attractive on trading and possible bid action.

Littlewoods still tantalizes

In the brash, bright world of modern retailing, Littlewoods is trying hard not to be left behind.

But when a company is family owned, the pressures are not so great. There are no analysts breathing down the management's neck and the shareholders cannot judge the management's performance in terms of movements in the share price.

Nevertheless, it is apparent that beefing-up the retailing side of the business has become a main management priority. The market share has fallen — it is still under 4 per cent, having been 5 per cent a few years ago.

Also the margin on sales last year was only 3.7 per cent, a significant improvement on the previous year's 2.6 per cent admittedly, but still a long way away from the expressed target of 8 per cent, which it hopes to reach in three years' time.

With refreshing candour, the management admits that the stores had become tawdry and out of date and more than half of its planned £60 million capital expenditure for 1987 will be on its High Street stores.

The other big area of expansion will be based on the group's home shopping business — the ubiquity of the telephone has forced the name change from mail order.

Its enhanced computer systems allow customers a complete range of information about their accounts, and the growth rate of home shopping, a market estimated to be expanding at 25 per cent a year, can be easily predicted.

There cannot be many High Street retailers who would not like to get their hands on Littlewoods outlets but there are no signs that the family intends to loosen its grip. There is no need. Borrowings are low and future expansion will be more or less self-financing.

It seems a shame that the market will be unable to participate in what looks like an interesting recovery situation.

ALPHA STOCKS

Company	Volume '000	Company	Volume '000	Company	Volume '000
Allied-Lyons	1,800	English China	545	Rank Org	1,400
Amstrad	6,500	Fisons	1,200	Rank Hovis	184
Argyll	436	Gen Accident	333	Redland	1,100
ASDA-MFI	5,200	GEC	2,800	Reckitt Colman	166
Ass Br Foods	163	Glaxo	1,100	Reed Int	425
BET	702	Globe IT	1,600	Reuters	73
BTR	2,900	Granada	2,600	RMC Group	290
BAT	2,500	Grand Met	622	RTZ	1000
Barclays	1,500	GUS 'A'	164	Rowntree	876
Bass	141	GRE	21	Royal B of Scot	248
Beecham	1,400	GKN	913	Royal Ins	1,100
Blue Circle	226	Guinness	13,000	Saatchi	249
BOC	959	Hanson	9,100	Sainsbury (J)	860
Boots	2,700	Hawker Siddeley	316	Sears	9,000
BPB Ind	1,600	Hillsdown	12,000	Sedgwick Gp	432
BPCC	111	Imp Chem Ind	1,400	Shell	2,600
Br Aerospace	668	Imp Cont Gas	1,200	Smith & Nephew	444
Br Airways	2,900	Jaguar	1,100	STC	1,000
Brit Comm	228	Ladbroke	547	Stan Chart	317
Br Gas	28,000	Land Securities	805	Storehouse	2,100
Br Petroleum	2,200	Legal & Gen	1,200	Sun Alliance	344
Br Telecom	10,000	Lloyds	4,000	Tarmac	360
Brit'oil	3,000	Lonhro	465	TSB P/P	4,500
Bunzl	2,600	Marks & Spencer	4,700	Tesco	696
Burton	2,700	MEPC	511	Thorn EMI	1,800
Cable & Wireless	3,800	Midland	2,100	Trafalgar House	2,500
Cadbury Schwep	6,700	Nat West	1,500	Trusthouse Forte	946
Coats Viyella	690	P & O Dfrd	384	Unigate	584
Com Union	1,400	Pearson	770	Unilever	294
Cons Goldfields	1,600	Pilkington Bros	1,200	Utd Biscuits	2,000
Cookson Gp	38	Plessey	2,700	Wellcome	811
Courtaulds	344	Prudential	166	Whitbread 'A'	264
Dee Corp	2,300	Racal Elect	1,200	Woolworth	1,100
Dixons Gp	1,200				

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THIRD MARKET

1986 High	1986 Low	Company	Price Bid	Price Offer	Change
450	180	Abelscot Group	380	410	n/c
50	10	Aberdeen Am Petrol	28	31	n/c
125	110	Allied Insurance	115	125	n/c
60	36	Catalyst Comm	50	54	–1
68	24	Corton Beach	60	65	n/c
195	121	Edenspring Inv	190	200	n/c
63	10	Eglinton Oil Ireland	43	45	–2
41	8	Do. Warrants	30	32	–2
30	17	Publishing Holdings	29	31	+1
57½	46	Theme Holdings	48	51	n/c
133	114½	Unit Group	112	117	n/c

COMPANY NEWS

● **KWIK SAVE GROUP:** Half-year to February 28. Interim dividend 2.1p (1.8p). With figures in £000: Turnover 425,525 (383,004). Operating profit 21,760 (18,583). Earnings per share 9.34p (7.64p).

● **WM LOW & CO:** Interim dividend 5p (4.5p) for the 28 weeks to March 21. With figures in £000: Turnover 131,009' (125,559). Pretax profit 3,442 (3,017). Earnings per share 18.44p (15.01p).

● **SUNLIGHT SERVICE GROUP:** Total dividend for 1986 raised to 10p (9p). With figures in £000: Turnover 77,759 (67,823). Pretax profit 6,576 (5,204). Earnings per share 20.02p (18.42p).

● **WHATMAN REEVE ANGEL:** Total dividend for 1986 3.1p (2.45p). With figures in £000: Turnover 35,344 (31.643). Pretax profit 6,758 (5,611). Earnings per share 19.34p (14.23p).

● **AYRSHIRE METAL:** Total dividend for 1986 cut to 0.5p (2p). With figures in £000: Turnover 18,534 (19,813). Pretax loss 267 (profit 760). Loss per share 3.1p (earnings 9.7p).

● **DENSITRON INTERNATIONAL:** Final dividend 1.1p for 1986, compared with prospectus forecast of 1p. With figures in £000: Turnover 14,865 (12,841). Pretax profit 443 (957). Earnings per share 1.96p (4.51p). The order book stands at record levels and the board expects to return to normal levels of profitability and growth in 1987.

● **AUSTIN REED GROUP:** Total dividend 6.5p (5.5p) for the year to January 31. With figures in £000: Trading profit 6,102 (5,040). Earnings per share 14.1p (12.9p). The group has made a good start to the new year with retail sales up by 14 per cent after 10 weeks and factory production fully booked. A further advance in profits is expected; a revaluation of the group's properties at January 31 showed a surplus of £5.3 million.

● **MICRO FOCUS GROUP:** Year to January 31. With figures in £000: No dividend. Net revenue 13,079 (13,353). Pretax loss 329 (2,790). Loss per share 3.0p (16.8p).

● **GREAT SOUTHERN GROUP:** Final dividend 3.5p (not less than 3.5p was forecast) for 1986. With figures in £000: Turnover 12,377 (11,222). Pretax profit 1,627 (1,319).

● **OSSORY ESTATES:** Six months to December 31. With figures in £000: Turnover 11,702 (8,177). Pretax profit 168 (13 loss). Earnings per share 0.15p (0.02p loss).

● **SECURITIES TRUST OF SCOTLAND:** Total dividend raised to 3p (2.5p) for the year to March 31. With figures in £000: (comparisons adjusted): Pretax profit 7,299 (6,679). Earnings per share 3.09p (2.72p).

● **KEYSTONE INVESTMENT:** Half-year to March 31. Interim dividend 2p (2p, adjusted), payable on June 9. With figures in £000: Pretax revenue 605 (443). Earnings per share 2.83p (1.96p, adjusted).

● **WAGON INDUSTRIAL HOLDINGS:** Agreement in principal has been reached for the purchase of Wefco (Gainsborough) for £2.5 million in cash and shares. Wefco, based at Gainsborough, Lincolnshire, manufactures storage tanks, containers and liquid propane-gas vessels.

● **EXPAMET INTERNATIONAL:** Contracts have been exchanged for the acquisition of Christie Hydraulics and its subsidiary, Christie Hydraulics Australia, manufacturers of hydraulic accumulators. The consideration will be £3.34 million in ordinary shares.

● **AMERICAN BRANDS:** Three months to March 31 (comparisons restated). Pretax income $219.53 million (£134.76 million), against $207.76 million. Sales $2,529.63 million ($2,111.51 million). Earnings per common share $1.15 ($1.05, adjusted).

● **HARTONS GROUP:** Final dividend 1.07p (0.82p) for 1986, payable on July 1. With figures in £000: Turnover 59,834 (53,525). Pretax profit 2,536 (1,888). Earnings per share 3.19p (3.31p).

BASE LENDING RATES

ABN	10.00%
Adam & Company	10.00%
BCCI	10.00%
Citibank Savings†	12.45%
Consolidated Crds	10.00%
Co-operative Bank	10.00%
C. Hoare & Co	10.00%
Hong Kong & Shanghai	10.00%
Lloyds Bank	10.00%
Nat Westminster	10.00%
Royal Bank of Scotland	10.00%
TSB	10.00%
Citibank NA	10.00

† Mortgage Base Rate.

GUINNESS PLC

PRELIMINARY RESULTS
FOR 15 MONTHS TO 31st DECEMBER 1986

Continued Profit Growth

* Profit before Tax for 15 months is £355 million, including £114 million for the last quarter.
* Total net dividend of 10.2p for 15 months, up 13 per cent on an annualised basis.
* Earnings per stock unit for the 15 months were 38.0p.
* Group Debt/Equity Ratio at 81 per cent is similar to that prior to the acquisition of Distillers.

"The Group is now in a very favourable position. Guinness has the brands, it has the management and it has the opportunity to build on its achievements in the field of world-wide brand marketing. We will demonstrate that the enlarged and newly focused Group is a world leader in its industry."

Anthony Tennant
Group Chief Executive

The 1986 Annual Report will be posted on 5th May. A copy may be obtained by writing to:-
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GROUP RESULTS FOR THE 14 MONTHS ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 1987

	14 Months ended 28.02.87 £000	Year ended 31.12.85 £000
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	2,434	1,932
DIVIDENDS PER SHARE	2.8p	2.4p
EARNINGS PER 25p SHARE	5.9p	6.2p*

* Adjusted for rights issue in December 1985

Subject to the approval of shareholders at the Annual General Meeting the proposed dividend will be paid on 8 June 1987, to shareholders whose names appear on the Register at close of business on 15 May 1987.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 28 May 1987.

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Ford only UK car maker to see profit

By Daniel Ward
Motor Industry Correspondent

Ford was Britain's only leading vehicle manufacturer to make a profit last year although its profits dropped to £108 million compared to £160 million in 1985.

Austin Rover, Peugeot Talbot and Vauxhall were all in the red.

Ford blamed currency fluctuations – which sharply increased the cost of cars built in Germany, Belgium and Spain as well as components from the Continent – for the fall in British profits.

Car sales, however, passed the half-million mark in Britain, with the Escort, Fiesta and Sierra models selling the most last year.

Ford and Vauxhall have reacted to the higher cost of importing cars and parts by increasing production in Britain and reducing costs.

Ford hopes a 20 per cent improvement in productivity will allow almost 80 per cent of its British sales this year to be met by cars built in Halewood and Dagenham.

British Fords last year accounted for only 65 per cent of sales. The share was as low as 57 per cent in 1984.

Vauxhall plans to build an extra 30,000 cars in Britain this year and has chosen to work overtime to boost output at its Luton plant rather than import more Cavaliers from the Continent.

For the first time, it is cheaper for Ford to build cars in Britain than to import similar models from the Continent.

Executives are encouraged by the sharp improvement in productivity from the British plants which once had a poor reputation for efficiency and quality.

The British workforce has been cut by 40 per cent since 1980 to 12,800, yet car output in 1986 was the highest for five years.

Mr Bill Hayden, the vice-president for manufacturing of Ford of Europe, said Ford's British car plants' objective was to have higher quality standards than Opel, Renault, Peugeot and Fiat by 1991 so that Ford cars would match Japanese standards of reliability.

Low labour costs and improved productivity have made Halewood and Dagenham more competitive

Rift widens over Japanese plans for Pacific cable

By Teresa Poole, Business Correspondent

The rift between the two consortia seeking to enter Japan's international telecommunications market widened yesterday over the need to invest in a new trans-Pacific submarine cable.

It is looking increasingly likely that, without significant compromises, the two groups – one of which includes Cable and Wireless as a large shareholder – will not be able to agree on a merger as proposed by the Japanese Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications.

Mr Nobuo Ito, president of International Telecommunications of Japan (ITJ), said his consortium remained opposed to the laying of a new cable between Japan and the United States.

ITJ intends instead to lease capacity on existing lines. Mr Ito added: "All existing cables are built through joint international co-operation. We want to do what is the current common practice."

International Digital Communications (IDC), the rival consortium where Britain's C&W holds a 20 per cent stake, said the cable was central to its business.

This week, permission was granted to Pacific Telecom Cable (PTC), an American partnership in which C&W also has a 20 per cent stake, to land the planned $500 million (£312 million) optical fibre cable in Seattle and Anchorage. IDC would be co-owner of the cable with PTC.

Mr Dennis Elliott, general manager of PTC, said: "We look forward to the licensing of the Japanese consortium to serve as our partner in this venture so that the project can proceed."

Under the proposals of Mr Fumio Watanabe, the Japanese businessman charged with securing a merger between IDC and ITJ, eight companies from the two groups would become equal shareholders in a new firm, which would then study the feasibility of laying a new cable.

Mr Ito said ITJ was not opposed to studying the question of the cable but IDC insists it has already completed all the necessary studies.

C&W is pressing the postal ministry to grant two new international telecommunications licences

Government plans new oil licensing round for Ireland

By Our City Staff

A renewed spate of oil and gas exploration in Northern Ireland is hoped to follow an initiative launched yesterday by Mr Peter Viggers, the Northern Ireland Office Junior Minister responsible for energy, at the Northern Ireland Business Centre in London.

He offered executives of the main oil companies the results of a technical reassessment by Robertson Research International of all the available hydrocarbon geological and exploration data existing for Northern Ireland and invited applications for prospecting licences, of a maximum of 350 square kilometres, by July 31.

A petroleum licensing unit will be established in the provincial Department of Economic Development (DED).

Substantial prospecting during the late 1970s and earlier this decade followed an earlier round of exploration licences which have now expired or are about to run out.

Robertson's conclusions indicate that the use of modern techniques, such as subterranean gas fracturing to release oil and gas deposits, could result in commercial viability.

Peter Viggers: offered a new look at the available data

Whileexpressing the hope that some leading companies would come forward to take a new look at Ulster's hydrocarbon prospects, Mr Viggers gave a warning.

"While there are good indications that oil and gas exist, as always in petroleum exploration there can be no guarantee that commercial quantities will be found," he said.

The Minister's reception in London resulted in the cancellation at short notice of a press conference by the state-owned Northern Ireland Electricity (NIE) also scheduled in London yesterday.

It planned to publicize its view that the most economic course for the next phase of power generation in Northern Ireland would be to complete the half-abandoned oil and coal-fired power station at Kilrood, halted after only two of its planned four turbo-generators had been installed, rather than to commission a minehead power station to burn lignite.

GrandMet relaunch for chain of hotels

By Derek Harris
Industrial Editor

Grand Metropolitan yesterday relaunched its Berni and Chef & Brewer chain as a new-style hotel network.

The redevelopment of 59 of its existing properties in the country is aimed at the fast-emerging budget market catering both for business and leisure customers.

Claimed to be Britain's fourth largest chain, it has been backed by the English Tourist Board as the first hotel group to be developed in line with the ETB's new crown classification ratings. These are aimed at encouraging hotels to provide quality accommodation with modern facilities at value for money prices.

Berni and Chef & Brewer Group (BCBG) has invested £10 million in bringing standards up to ETB levels, average spending being £7,700 a room. The ETB has given some grant aid and funds to help with marketing weekend breaks.

The ETB has been eager to encourage the creation of budget-price hotels because this has been identified as a key market sector still badly under-supplied.

The average tariff in the BCBG chain will be about £30 for a single room and £40 for a double, including full English breakfast. A weekend break package is being launched at £16.50 per person a night.

There are three categories of hotels in the relaunched chain. One is traditional coaching inns and taverns. Another covers city centre, spa town and coastal resort hotels of Victorian and Edwardian vintage.

Union chief attacks bid by Wardle

An attempted take-over of Chamberlain Phipps, a key company in the British shoe industry, by Wardle Storeys was strongly condemned yesterday by the National Union of Footwear, Leather and Allied Trades.

Mr Bob Stevenson, the union's general president, accused Wardle of "knowing nothing whatsoever about the shoe industry."

He said: "Wardle Storeys is an old-fashioned asset-stripper. I appeal to those City institutions who control a majority of shares in Chamberlain Phipps not to allow any short-term considerations to outweigh their responsibility to the country and workforce of the company."

COMMENT Kenneth Fleet

Sun Life smoulders in Liberty's glare

So far the sun of newspaper comment has shone warmly on Peter Grant and his boardroom colleagues in their emotive campaign to drive the forces of darkness, as they see them, from inside the gates of Sun Life where TransAtlantic Insurance is camped with 25.7 per cent of its shares.

TransAtlantic, although no longer technically a subsidiary of Liberty Life of South Africa, is within Liberty's orbit and thus flies under the control of Donald Gordon. On several grounds, one being his South African nationality and another the suspicion that he wants ultimately to take over Sun Life, Mr Gordon is persona non grata with the self-perpetuating oligarchs who control Sun Life, without, as it happens, any substantial commitment as shareholders in the enterprise. However one views the protagonists, this is not a situation that can continue for much longer.

Until relatively recently, the Sun Life board took a fairly relaxed attitude to Mr Gordon's quiet progression to becoming the major shareholder with a strategic 25 per cent plus stake. He and the always-amiable but sharp Peter Grant got on well together, although the common ground between them was always less than it appeared. Mr Gordon consistently said he wanted no more than a constructive business relationship between TransAtlantic and Sun Life, albeit a relationship that took proper account of TransAtlantic's large shareholding. This option is no longer available, if it ever was.

With transparent sleight of hand, Sun Life tried at the end of last year to conjure a situation in which it could bring down TransAtlantic's equity interest below the critical 25 per cent level. It was extremely naïve, and worse, of Sun Life to expect Mr Gordon, the man who gave Sir Weinberg to the UK insurance industry, not to compel Mr Grant to put his rabbit back into the hat.

TransAtlantic then decided that the Liberty-Sun gavotte had gone on long enough and proposed a three-step in the Sun Life boardroom. At the annual meeting on May 13, shareholders will be asked to vote on the election to the board of Michael Middlemas, Denis Marlar and Michael Rapp – all Gordon men. The gloves are off.

Sun Life have hit out at Liberty's ambitions, endeavouring to make them seem reprehensible and worse, its move to have "proportional representation" on the board to which "there is no entitlement in law" and tactics "that could lead quickly to effective control, without having to make a general offer to all shareholders". There is more than a touch of hysteria in these assertions.

Yesterday TransAtlantic responded with a letter to shareholders, more moderate in tone, but making the point that Peter Grant's "vehement opposition to the proper and legitimate exercise by TransAtlantic of its rights as a shareholder" to propose directors "is a matter of serious concern". TransAtlantic believes it has a right to fair and even-handed treatment, no matter how threatened the Sun Life board may feel.

In conveying views they may come to regret, Sun Life directors have almost committed themselves totally to the line that any takeover would be better than a take-over by Liberty-TransAtlantic. It would be a sad sight if Sun Life was hawked around to any or more likely foreign (although not South African!) bidder. It may not do shareholder any harm (they have already seen their shares rise to extraordinary heights on expectations and inspired rumours of bids). But it is unlikely to sustain the image Sun Life is seeking to project of a company deserving the support of the financial establishment, and others, in fending off the shrewd and successful Gordon and the practical advantages he might bring to a business that sorely needs new directions and expanded horizons.

Carey and Craven

The appointment of Sir Peter Carey and John Craven to the two top jobs at Morgan Grenfell comes as a relief, not least to the Bank of England and the Treasury which were instrumental in prising out Christopher Reeves, the previous chief executive. Both Sir Peter and Mr Craven are able men and a little optimism about Morgan's prospects may be in order.

It is sad, though inevitable after Mr Reeves's departure and in the light of Morgan's travails, to see Lord Catto go. At 64, he is still a year away from his planned retirement age but the Bank is probably relieved, in the cicumstances, to see him move into the purely ceremonial post, specially created for him, of president.

Morgan now has on the bridge two heavy-weight bureaucrats in Sir Peter (Whitehall) and Lord Pennock (ICI). Adminstration, not banking, is their strong suit. As a counter balance, Mr Craven's strength *is* merchant banking. His own company, Pheonix Securities, is small and transaction-orientated – the kind of operation which the " old-style" Morgan Grenfell understood: aggressive and fast on its feet.

Mr Craven's appointment demonstrates the group's desire not to forget its roots entirely. At the same time he has solid banking qualifications through S G Warburg, Credit Suisse White Weld and Merrill Lynch in London (an appointment he hated because of the constant interference by the New York parent).

Printing venture names managing director

APPOINTMENTS

Mr Tony Baker, production manager at Cumberland Newspapers in Australia, has been appointed managing director, Trafford Park Printers, in Manchester.

Trafford Park Printers will be a joint operating venture between News International and Telegraph Newspapers. The modern offset plant will publish copies of the *Sun*, *News of the World*, *Daily Telegraph* and *Sunday Telegraph*.

Mr Baker will take up his appointment at the end of next month.

CT Bowring & Co: **Mr Leslie Doherty** has been made managing director and **Mr MJ Slark** and **Mr JW Moffitt** become directors, Bowring Tyson (IOM). **Mr T McGrath** becomes deputy chief executive, Bowring Martin. **Mr KJ Foran** becomes a director, Bowring Wales.

Charterhouse Bank: **Mr Ewen Gilmour, Mr Alastair Muirhead** and **Mr Crispin Southgate** join the board. **Mr Paul Green** and **Mr Christopher Lee** become divisional directors, banking services operation. **Mr Duncan Wilson, Mr Michael Higgins** and **Mr Thomas Plant** become assistant directors.

South West Water Authority: **Mr Keith Court** is to become chairman from August 1.

London United Investments: **Mr Charles Jacob** joins the board.

Hestair makes record profit of £7 million

By Joe Joseph

Hestair, the holding company which until recently earned most of its business from engineering, will be focussing on its services and consumer products divisions after the purchase of three US employment bureaux for an initial $16.4 million (£10.1 million).

The purchases of Talent Tree, First Temporaries and Team Services – to be funded by the issue of shares and a vendor placing – were announced yesterday with a pretax profit jump from £4.10 million to a record £7.33 million in the year to January 31.

Shareholders will receive a final dividend of 2.8p, making a total of 4.5p for the year.

Hestair's move follows the decision this month by Blue Arrow, Britain's largest employment agency, to boost its US interests with the purchase of the Richards group

A rise in Hestair's turnover from £119.28 million to £135.22 million masked the changing complexion of the group's business over a year which saw the acquisition of the JSD Computer Group, which places computer personnel on contract, and marked Hestair's final withdrawal from the ailing farm equipment business.

Mr David Hargreaves, the chairman, says that 70 per cent of Hestair's sales come from its services and consumer products division and only 30 per cent from engineering.

The cost of loyalty

You have heard of golden hallos, handshakes and handcuffs – now it's the era of golden bars. Within days of announcing its withdrawal from market-making, dozens of disillusioned back-up staff from Midland Bank's stockbroking offshoot, Greenwell Montagu, were touting themselves round the personnel departments of rival City firms, looking for work. But the flow of bodies has now been stemmed, I hear, by the introduction of a system of guaranteed loyalty bonuses. During the past couple of weeks, salaries for Greenwell's core research and sales teams – in chemicals, banks, insurances and breweries – have been increased sharply and a number of them have been promised additional five-figure loyalty bonuses if they stay with the firm for the next 12 months. "We have been through a period of emotional strain but it has now stabilised and people are settling down again," says Martin Wonfor, deputy managing director of Greenwell. "In fact, we are now actively recruiting – looking for both sales staff and research analysts."

Uncharted

The strangest, most abbreviated, map of Britain has been appearing in newspaper ads recently. "You can buy a Wimpey home almost anywhere," ran the headline. "Except here," indicating an island off the north of Scotland in the approximate position, if not the shape and size, of Orkney. But thousands of miles of coastline are missing – no Western Isles, no Skye, no Mull, no Anglesey, no Isle of Man, no Isle of Wight. Not a sign of Northern Ireland. The truth is there are plenty of places where you cannot buy a Wimpey home – they have just left them off the map.

Golden bull

As the value of shares has risen in the bull market of the past five years, so has the cost of a seat on the trading floor in Wall Street. One leading securities firm paid a record $850,000 this week for a seat on the New York Stock Exchange – almost three times the highest price paid before 1982. Many sellers of seats are now asking upwards of $1 million.

"You were told to shred the diary, not the five million quid"

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Ay! Ay! Ay! Iacocca

Lee Iacocca, the man at the wheel of American car giant Chrysler, grossed almost $20 million last year in salary, bonus shares and other payments – making him the highest paid executive in US corporate history. His basic salary was just $728,000 (£455,000), but he earned an additional $975,000 in bonuses, was awarded Chrysler shares now worth some $12 million and picked up the balance from deferred dividends, plus a contribution from the company's employee savings plan. As if that were not enough to last anyone a lifetime, it has also been revealed that he earned an additional $15 million in stock options between 1981 and 1986 and has been promised a million further shares if he stays with the company beyond his 65th birthday in 1989.

Royal thoughts from the past

A page from the school exercise book of the Duke of Windsor when he was the Prince of Wales is expected to sell for £250 at an auction in London tomorrow. Giving a rare insight into Royal thoughts about the British Empire, he wrote: "It may seem strange that a small country like England was able to conquer a vast country like India. But it is not so . . . really India conquered itself for England. How is England able to hold so large a country? India is in reality only a geographical term. There is no Indian nation...". His tutor marked the paper "well expressed" in blue crayon. Among the other autographs, those of pop stars are expected to fetch several times as much as those of presidents and intellectuals. A signed picture by Ronald Reagan is expected to sell for £120, a Bertrand Russell for £30 and a studio portrait signed by King Georve V and Queen Mary is in the £90 range. Meanwhile, a piece of paper signed by all four Beatles could go for £400 and a colour picture of Elvis Presley for £250.

● **In response to an item in yesterday's diary, Sir Timothy Bevan, chairman of Barclays Bank, points out that while it is technically true that he has halved the value of his shareholding in the bank from £42,059 to £22,559 during the past year, he has, in fact, given the shares in question to his children and grandchildren.**

Carol Leonard

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Audiotronic	4p	18p	+350%
Paul Michael	13p	58p	+346%
Hobson	10p	43p	+330%
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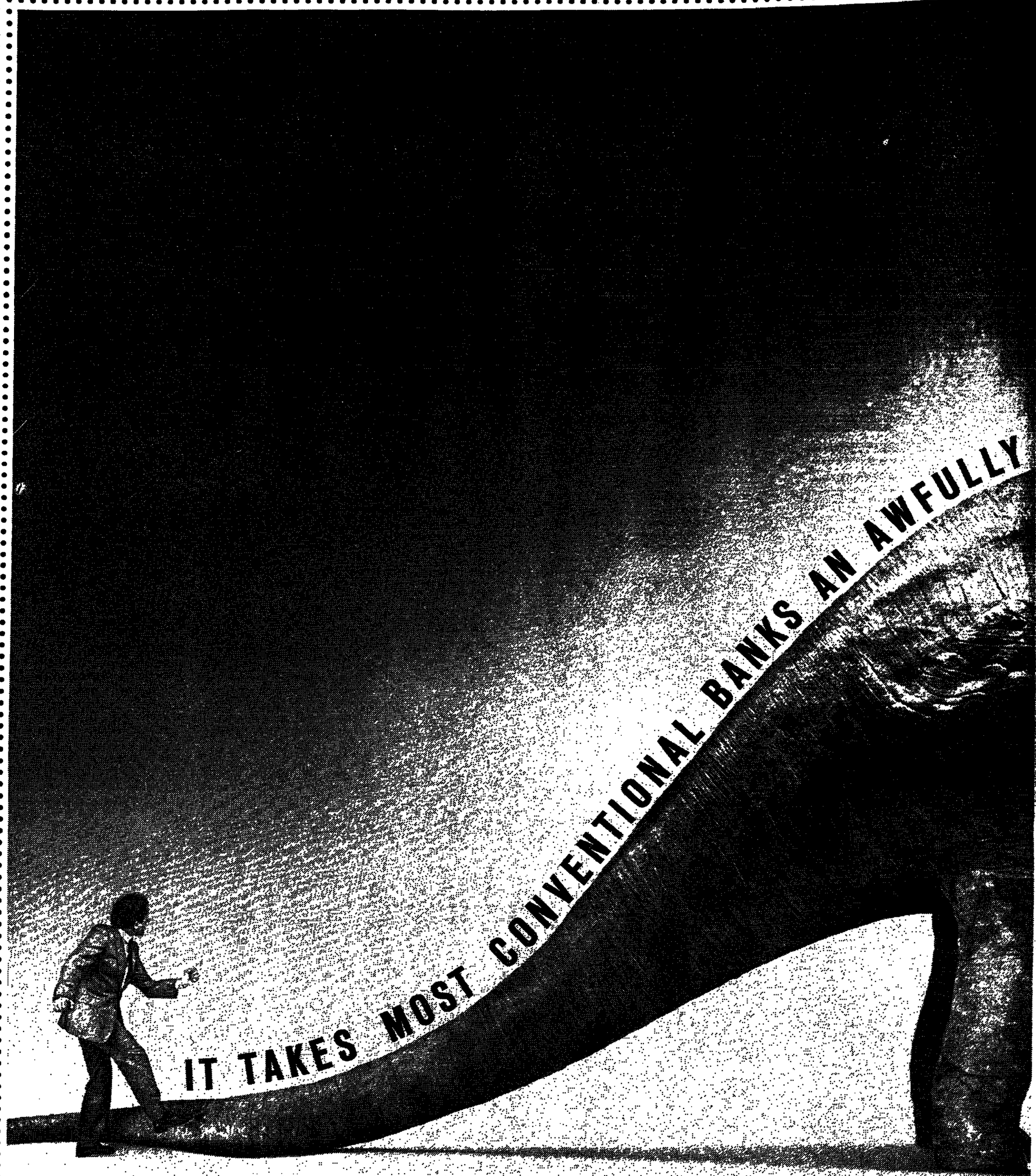

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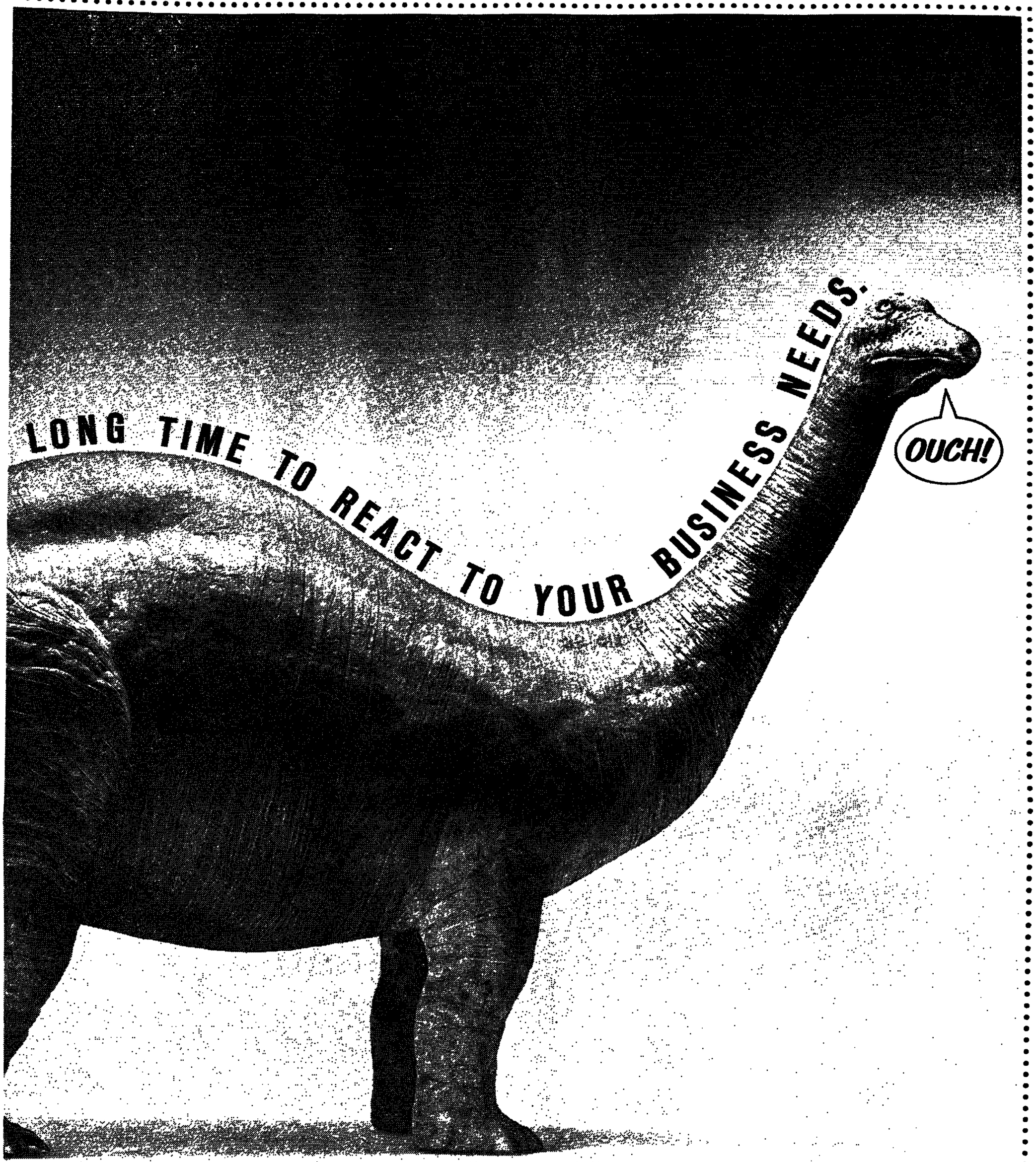

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	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Three Month Sterling					
Jun 87	90.56	90.87	90.55	90.65	3829
Sep 87	90.87	91.00	90.87	90.99	770
Dec 87	90.99	91.08	90.99	91.08	252
Mar 88	90.88	90.96	90.88	90.95	79
Jun 88	90.79	90.80	90.79	90.82	22
Sep 88	NT	—	—	90.68	0
Dec 88	NT	—	—	90.85	0
Mar 89	NT	—	—	90.45	0
Previous day's total open interest 24713					
Three Month Eurodollar					
Jun 87	92.75	92.79	92.67	92.76	6876
Sep 87	92.40	92.43	92.28	92.38	3124
Dec 87	92.17	92.19	92.08	92.17	336
Mar 88	92.00	92.00	91.88	91.97	188
Jun 88	91.77	91.77	91.77	91.77	31
Sep 88	NT	—	—	91.59	0
Dec 88	91.40	91.40	91.40	91.40	10
Mar 89	NT	—	—	91.24	0
Previous day's total open interest 28217					
US Treasury Bond					
Jun 87	91-14	92-13	91-14	91-25	6303
Sep 87	91-09	91-09	91-09	90-28	10
Previous day's total open interest 4935					
Short Gilt					
Jun 87	NT	—	—	—	
Sep 87	NT	—	—	—	
Dec 87	NT	—	—	—	
Previous day's total open interest 0					
Long Gilt					
Jun 87	123-30	124-28	123-26	124-26	33428
Sep 87	124-02	124-21	123-29	124-28	7
Dec 87	NT	—	—	124-29	0
Previous day's total open interest 20977					
FT-SE 100					
Jun 87	195.80	197.95	195.80	197.95	636
Sep 87	NT	—	—	202.45	0
Previous day's total open interest 4486					

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES

Airtours (180p)	192
Burford (80p)	165
Camb Instr (130p)	129 −½
Capital Radio (105p)	164 −3
Castle Comm (200p)	215
Cooper (A) (130p)	146
Cundall New (125p)	150
Dale Group (110p)	121 −2
Epwin (155p)	193
Filofax	180
Hornby (100p)	111
MIL (144p)	194
March Gp	125 −1
Mallett (120p)	183 −3
Metville (114p)	125 −1
Mercury Asset	308
Nobo (152p)	178
Perpetual (180p)	193 +2
RCO (95p)	98 −1
RKF	71 +6
Regina H Beauty (20p)	39 −1
Reliance Sec	165
Sanders Sydney (100p)	145
Scandinavian Bk (210p)	255
Sinclair G S (90p)	110 −3
TSB Group (100p)	81 −½
Virgin (140p)	164
Waterglade (140p)	175 −1
Wyevale New (120p)	194 +2

RIGHTS ISSUES

Astra Ind N/P	8½
DPCE N/P	38
HK Shanghai N/P	7
Ladbroke F/P	407 −2
Nash Inds N/P	86
Pict Pet F/P	36 +1
Speyhawk N/P	90
Weir N/P	10½ −1½

(Issue price in brackets).

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
Mar 30	Apr 11	Jul 9	Jul 20

Call options were taken out on: 23/4/87 Whim Creek, Silentnight, Rock Group, Martin Ford, EBC, Dmice Heel, Attwoods, Norfolk Capital, Gold & Base Metals, Benlox, Benjamin Priest.
Put: IBM.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

		Calls			Puts		
	Series	Jul	Oct	Jan	Jul	Oct	Jan
Allied Lyons (*381)	360	35	48	57	12	18	22
	390	20	30	38	22	28	30
	420	9	15	25	43	47	48
British Gas (*98)	80	22	24½	—	1½	2¼	—
	90	13½	17½	22	2½	4½	5½
	100	7	10½	14	6	9	10
British Airways (*145)	130	19	22	—	6	9	—
	140	12	18	24	9	13	15
	160	4	11	16	19	22	24
BP (*993)	850	90	115	140	25	37	45
	900	58	88	115	40	50	70
	950	33	60	—	72	82	—
British (*234)	220	23	31	37	5	8	13
	240	14	20	28	16	20	23
	260	5	11	18	32	36	38
Cons Gold (*964)	950	25	68	117	1	42	67
	1000	1	70	97	34	67	92
	1050	1	52	80	87	105	120
Courtaulds (*413)	360	64	76	—	5	8	—
	390	41	56	70	13	17	20
	420	26	40	54	28	29	35
	460	14	26	—	53	56	—
Com Union (*306)	300	28	39	47	11	15	19
	330	15	24	33	28	31	36
	360	8	16	—	54	57	—
Cable & Wire (*358)	300	70	—	—	5	—	—
	330	45	55	70	12	22	27
	360	26	35	50	25	37	43
	390	9½	22	32	45	55	63
GEC (*196)	180	27	34	38	5	9	11
	200	14	20	25	13	20	20
	220	7	11	—	28	32	—
Grand Met (*475)	420	73	85	93	5	8	12
	460	45	57	65	13	23	26
	500	22	32	45	35	40	47
	550	7	17	—	77	80	—
ICI (*1273)	1200	125	150	180	34	40	55
	1250	95	120	150	43	57	75
	1300	68	93	125	65	80	95
	1350	48	73	—	97	110	—
Land Securities (*411)	360	56	68	76	5	8	10
	390	33	45	55	11	18	21
	420	15	27	39	22	32	38
Marks & Spen (*223)	200	27	36	41	4	8	12
	220	16	23	27	12	17	21
	240	7	13	—	25	29	—
Shell Trans (*1155)	1150	70	98	122	35	50	63
	1200	47	75	100	65	78	90
	1250	32	60	—	103	113	—
Trafalgar House (*330)	300	37	48	58	7	13	19
	330	19	29	38	18	27	35
	360	8	16	—	46	49	—
TSB (*81)	70	13½	16½	—	1½	2½	—
	80	8	10	13	4	5½	6½
	90	3½	6½	8½	9½	11½	12½
Woolworth (*799)	750	85	105	135	20	40	56
	800	46	75	105	40	73	90
	850	25	37	—	80	90	—
	Series	Jun	Oct	Jan	Jun	Oct	Jan
Bass (*862)	900	35	60	85	50	65	86
	950	8	40	65	90	105	115
	1000	4	25	50	140	153	165
GKN (*317)	280	43	49	—	4	8	—
	300	27	34	43	7	14	17
	330	12	19	28	22	26	27
	360	3	11	19	45	48	50
Jaguar (*579)	550	53	73	86	17	23	25
	600	27	43	55	40	45	50
	650	6	25	—	75	80	—
	Series	Jun	Sep	Dec	Jun	Sep	Dec
Amstrad (*183)	160	27	33	40	2	6	7
	180	15	21	29	9	13	18
	200	5	12	17	21	23	25
Beecham (*487)	460	45	60	73	15	25	35
	500	22	37	50	37	45	53
	550	6	17	30	75	77	80
	600	3	8	18	118	120	125
Boots (*281)	280	17	28	37	17	22	26
	300	9	17	26	27	32	39
	330	3	8	—	60	63	—
BTR (*304)	300	20	33	40	10	16	21
	330	8	19	24	30	35	39
	360	2½	10	14	58	58	60
Blue Circle (*605)	700	107	117	133	3	10	17
	750	67	75	95	10	20	30
	800	23	43	65	25	38	53
Gn Bears (*1300)	1100	225	270	300	25	50	75
	1200	165	215	260	60	80	120
	1300	120	170	225	80	145	175
	1400	105	140	195	150	205	235
Dixons (*376)	361	38	50	—	8	14	—
		Calls			Puts		
	Series	Jan	Sep	Dec	Jan	Sep	Dec
Dixons contd	360	—	—	52	—	—	24
	361	19	30	—	24	28	—
Glaxo (*1481)	1400	115	170	195	38	66	80
	1450	85	140	165	58	90	105
	1500	57	115	140	85	120	130
	1550	42	950	115	120	150	155
Hanson (*158)	135	27	30½	—	1½	3	—
	150	15	19½	—	4½	7½	—
	165	7	12½	—	12½	14	—
	180	2½	7	11½	22½	24½	25½
Sears (*136)	130	10½	14	17	4½	7½	9½
	140	5	9	12½	10	14	15½
	150	2	5	6½	27½	29	30½
Tesco (*476)	420	65	79	—	3	9	—
	460	33	50	66	12	18	25
	500	10	26	47	35	38	42
Thorn EMI (*656)	500	168	173	—	1	2	—
	550	118	123	—	2	6	—
	600	72	82	104	6	17	22
	650	38	46	72	23	32	42
THF (*232)	200	36	43	52	2	4	6
	220	21	32	37	8	12	14
	240	8	20	27	16	19	22
	Series	May	Aug	Nov	May	Aug	Nov
Brit Aero (*625)	600	44	63	78	13	25	33
	650	20	37	52	38	45	52
	700	3	23	33	77	82	87
BAT Inds (*494)	420	80	93	—	1	5	—
	460	42	62	75	5	15	18
	500	18	37	50	22	37	38
	550	5	18	32	62	65	65
Brit Telecom (*255)	220	37	43	52	1	3	6
	240	19	28	34	3	9	13
	260	6½	16	20	12	17	22
Cadbury Schwppe (*250)	240	15	28	43	6	11	17
	260	5	20	29	15	23	28
	280	2	9	—	30	37	—
Guinness (*332)	300	38	53	62	48	15	20
	330	15	31	43	15	25	33
	360	4	15	—	37	48	—
Ladbroke (*416)	370	48	55	—	2	6	—
	403	23	33	48	8	13	19
	443	3	17	25	37	40	45
LASMO (*228)	220	19	29	40	10	18	23
	240	11	21	33	23	28	33
	260	4	11	20	40	43	47
Plessey (*232)	220	16	27	31	5	8	12
	240	8	18	20	15	18	22
	260	2½	9	13	32	33	36
P & O (*397)	550	52	72	92	3	10	15
	600	18	40	60	17	25	35
	650	4	18	33	58	63	67
Racal (*219)	220	12	17	23	11	16	19
	240	3	9	13	24	27	30
	260	1	5	8	42	46	48
RTZ (*922)	800	127	137	154	5	15	27
	850	87	102	122	14	27	40
	900	45	77	97	34	50	62
	950	23	60	80	65	77	88
Vaal Reef (*135)	130	14	22½	27½	8	12½	15
	140	10	19	24	12½	16½	19
	150	8	17	20	21½	23½	26

April 23, 1987. Total contracts 31235. Calls 22967. Puts 8238.
FT-SE Index. Calls: 1094. Puts: 763

*Underlying security price.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range April 23	Market rates close April 23	1 month	3 months
N York	1.6290-1.6360	1.6350-1.6360	0.42-0.38prem	1.12-1.07prem
Montreal	2.1679-2.1800	2.1762-2.1800	0.34-0.24prem	0.54-0.38prem
Ams'dam	3.3386-3.3505	3.3480-3.3505	1¾-1⅝prem	3¾-3½prem
Brussels	61.28-61.60	61.48-61.60	18-11prem	49-37prem
C'phgen	11.1424-11.2190	11.1957-11.2189	¼-⅜dis	¾-1⅞dis
Dublin	1.1055-1.1133	1.1099-1.1109	14-18dis	32-45dis
Frankfurt	2.9507-2.9716	2.9967-2.9710	1½-1⅜prem	4½-4prem
Lisbon	229.39-230.20	229.23-230.19	63-149dis	250-380dis
Madrid	207.06-207.50	207.07-207.36	83-100dis	285-300dis
Milan	2110.37-2121.07	2116.51-2121.07	3-1prem	6-1prem
Oslo	10.9765-11.0348	11.0117-11.0348	3¾-4¼dis	12⅞-13½dis
Paris	9.8514-9.8899	9.8713-9.8855	1⅝-1⅛prem	4⅛-3⅝prem
Sr'holm	10.2895-10.3313	10.3136-10.3313	⅛-¼prem	½prem-½dis
Tokyo	229.83-231.25	230.95-231.25	1¼-1prem	3⅞-3½prem
Vienna	20.82-20.90	20.87-20.90	10-6¾ prem	28¼-25¾ prem
Zurich	2.4223-2.4309	2.4263-2.4303	1⅞-1½prem	3⅞-3½prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was up at 72.5 (day's range 72.3-72.5).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	2.5043-2.5157
Australia dollar	2.2914-2.2945
Bahrain dinar	0.6120-0.6160
Brazil cruzado*	39.27-39.48
Cyprus pound	0.7705-0.7805
Finland marka	7.1675-7.2075
Greece drachma	217.00-219.00
Hong Kong dollar	12.7281-12.7376
India rupee	20.75-20.95
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4395-0.4435
Malaysia dollar	4.0453-4.0495
Mexico peso	1890.0-1940.0
New Zealand dollar	2.7912-2.8002
Saudi Arabia riyal	6.0860-6.1260
Singapore dollar	3.4824-3.4863
S Africa rand (fin)	5.2873-5.3777
S Africa rand (com)	3.2763-3.2914
U A E dirham	5.9600-6.0000

*Lloyds Bank

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.4680-1.4695
Singapore	2.1345-2.1355
Malaysia	2.4795-2.4805
Australia	0.7115-0.7120
Canada	1.3310-1.3320
Sweden	6.3175-6.3225
Norway	6.7425-6.7475
Denmark	6.8500-6.8550
West Germany	1.8195-1.8205
Switzerland	1.4880-1.4890
Netherlands	2.0510-2.0520
France	6.0525-6.0575
Japan	141.40-141.50
Italy	1296.5-1297.5
Belgium(Comm)	37.67-37.70
Hong Kong	7.8015-7.8025
Portugal	140.10-140.60
Spain	126.70-126.80
Austria	12.76-12.78

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 10
Finance House 10½

Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 10 Low 6½
Week fixed: 9⅝

Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 mnth 9 11/16; 3 mnth 9 9/16
Selling: 2 mnth 9⅝; 3 mnth 9½

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 9 13/16-9¾; 3 mnth 9 17/32-9 15/32
2 mnth 9 27/32-9 25/32; 6 mnth 9 7/16-9 5/32

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 10⅝; 3 mnth 10¼
2 mnth 10 9/16; 6 mnth 9 15/16

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 10⅛ close 9
1 week 10-9⅞; 6 mnth 9⅞-9 11/16
1 mnth 9 15/16-9 13/16; 9 mnth 9⅞-9 9/16
3 mnth 9 13/16-9 11/16; 12 mnth 9⅝-9 9/16

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 9⅞; 7 days 9⅞
1 mnth 9⅞; 3 mnth 9⅞
6 mnth 9 9/16; 12 mnth 9⅝

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mnth 10 1/16-9 15/16; 2 mnth 10 1/16-9 13/16
3 mnth 10-9⅞; 6 mnth 9⅞-9½
9 mnth 9 13/16-9 9/16; 12 mnth 9 11/16-9 9/16

Sterling CDs (%)
1 mnth 9⅞-9 13/16; 3 mnth 9 27/32-9 25/32
6 mnth 9 15/32-9⅞; 12 mnth 9 13/32-9 11/32

Dollar CDs (%)
1 mnth 6.70-6.65; 3 mnth 6.85-6.80
6 mnth 7.05-7.00; 12 mnth 7.45-7.40

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Dollar		call	6⅝-6¾
7 days	6 1/16-6¼	1 mnth	6⅝-6¾
3 mnth	7-6 15/16	6 mnth	7 1/16-7 1/16
Deutschmark		call	4½-3½
7 days	3 15/16-3 13/16	1 mnth	3 15/16-3 11/16
3 mnth	3 15/16-3 11/16	6 mnth	4-3½
French Franc		call	6-7
7 days	6½-7½	1 mnth	8⅛-8
3 mnth	8 1/16-8 1/16	6 mnth	8 9/16-8 7/16
Swiss Franc		call	1½-1½
7 days	5 1/16-5 1/16	1 mnth	3⅝-3½
3 mnth	3⅞-3¾	6 mnth	3 11/16-3 7/16
Yen		call	4½-3½
7 days	4 1/16-4 1/16	1 mnth	4½-4
3 mnth	4 1/16-4	6 mnth	4 1/16-3 15/16

BULLION

Gold $452.50-453.25
Krugerrand (per coin, ex vat)
$ 457.00-460.00 (£279.50-281.50)
Sovereigns (new, ex vat)
$ 107.00-108.00 (£65.50-66.25)
Platinum
$ 605.25 (£370.85)
Silver
$ 8.4300-8.4700 (£5.1600-5.1900)

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period February 28, 1987 to March 31, 1987 inclusive 10.053 per cent.

WALL STREET

New York (Reuter) — Blue chips moved higher in early trading yesterday, encouraged by a better-than-expected 4.3 per cent rise in the first-quarter GNP and steadiness in the dollar and bond markets, traders said.

The Dow Jones industrial average, trying to regain its composure after a 51.13-point tumble on Wednsday, rose 7.38 to 2,293.2 at one stage when the transport indicator was down 1.69 at 926.81.

But the broader market was depressed as interest rates and inflation remained the foremost concerns.

	Apr 22	Apr 21		Apr 22	Apr 21		Apr 22	Apr 21
AMR Cp	54¼	55¾	Firestone	36¾	36¾	Pepsico	31¾	32½
ASA	68½	69¾	Fst Chicago	25¾	26¾	Pfizer	67¼	69¾
Aetna Life	56¾	58¼	Fst Int Bncp	54½	56¼	Phelps Dod	30¾	31
Allied Signal	45¾	48	Fst Penn C	10¾	10¾	Philip Mor	88¾	88¾
Allis Chalm	2½	2¾	FT Wachva	40¼	39¾	Philip Pet	15½	15¾
Alcoa	48¾	49¾	Ford Motor	84¾	85¾	Polaroid	74	73¾
Amax Inc	20	20¾	GAF Cp	49¾	49¾	Proc Gble	89¾	90¾
AMR Hess	33	33¾	GTE Cp	37¼	37¾	Pub Svc Eg	38	39¾
Am Brands	45	46¾	Gen Cp	116¼	116¾	Raytheon	77¾	76¾
Am Can	42¾	43¾	Gn Dynam	64¾	66½	Rynlds Met	69¾	69¾
Am Cyanmd	92¼	93	Gen Elect	104	106¾	Rockwell Int	27¾	28¾
Am Ele Pwr	28	28¾	Gen Inst	33¾	32¾	Royal Dutch	118¾	121¾
Amax	67¾	69¾	Gen Mills	46¾	47¼	SFE Sopac	39¾	40¾
Am Home	82¾	84¾	Gen Motors	87¾	89¾	Sara Lee	45¼	45
Am Motors	4¼	4¾	Gen Pub Ut	23¾	23¾	Schlumb	40¾	42¾
Am Stand	41	43¾	Genesco	4½	4¾	Scott Pap	76	76¾
Am Telph	24¾	25¾	Georgia Pac	47¼	47¾	Seagram	73¼	74¾
Amoco Cp	83½	82¾	Gillette	58¾	59	Sears Roeb	53¼	53¾
Armco Steel	9¾	10¾	Goodrich	52¾	53¼	Shell Trans	74¼	76¼
Asarco Inc	24	24¾	Goodyear	60½	60¾	Singer	45½	46
Ashland Oil	60¾	61¼	Gould Inc	17¼	17¾	Smithkln Bk	105¾	108¾
Atl Richfld	84¼	85¾	Grace Co	86¾	86¾	Sony Cp	19¾	20¾
Avon Prod	31¼	31½	Grt Atl Pac	34½	34½	Sth Cal Edi	30½	31¼
Bk Boston	30¾	30½	Greyhnd	34¼	34¾	SW Bell	106	106½
Bank NY	39¾	39¾	Grumen	26¾	26¾	Std Oil	70½	70¾
Bankamer	11½	12	Gulf & West	76	75¼	Stan Drug	51¾	52½
Bkrs Tst NY	41¾	42¼	Heinz	44¾	45	Stevens JP	44	44½
Beth Steel	11¼	11¾	Hercules	59	57¾	Sun Comp	64¾	68½
Boeing	49	50¼	Hewlett Pk	54¾	57½	TRW Inc	101	104
Boise Casc	79	79¾	Honeywell	78½	78¾	Teledyne	317¾	322¾
Borden	58¼	58¼	IC Ind	34¾	34¼	Tenneco	45¾	47½
Borg Warnr	48¾	48¾	ITT Cp	56½	57¾	Texaco	30¾	30¾
Brist Myer	99¼	101½	INCO	16½	17¾	Tex Eastn	35¾	35¾
BP	57½	58¾	Ingersoll	80¼	83	Tex Inst	191½	192½
Brunswick	43½	43¾	Inland Steel	26½	27¾	Tex Util	32¾	32¾
Burl Ind	54½	55½	IBM	154	157¾	Textron	63¾	64¾
Burl Nth	65½	66	Int Paper	102½	105¾	Travelers	45¾	45¾
CBS	169	165¼	Irving Bk	43	42¾	UAL Inc	71¾	73¾
CPC Int	49	48¼	Jhsn & Jhsn	67¾	69¾	USG	38	38¾
CSX Cp	30¾	31¼	K Mart Cp	59¾	60¾	USX Cp	28¾	28¾
Cmpbell Sp	68¼	70	Kaiser Alum	16¾	17¼	Unilever NV	283¾	288¾
Can Pacific	18	18¼	Kerr McGee	34	34¾	Un Carbide	29¾	30¾
Caterpillar	47¾	48¾	Kimbl Clark	110	109¾	Un Pac Cp	70	71¾
Centrl SW	32¼	33¾	Kraft	54½	56¼	Unisys Cp	116¾	113½
Champion	38¼	39¾	Kroger	32¾	32¾	Utd Brands	44	43¾
Chase Man	34¾	35¾	LTV Cp	3¾	3¾	Utd Tech	45¾	46¾
Chem NY	40¾	41¾	Litton	87½	89	Unocal	37¼	37¾
Chevron	57½	59¾	Lockheed	48¾	47¾	Walter Jim	50¾	51¾
Chrysler	37¾	38¼	Lucky Str	30¼	30	Warn Lamb	70¾	73¼
Citicorp	49¾	49¾	Man H'nwr	40¾	41¾	Wells Far	46½	46¾
Clark Eq	24	24¾	Manville	2¾	2¾	Westg El	62¾	64
Coca Cola	43¾	45½	Mapco	61½	61¾	Weyerhsr	54½	56¾
Colgate	43¾	44	Marine Mid	46	46¼	Whirlpool	37¾	38¼
Columb Gas	45¾	46	Mt Marietta	46¾	46¾	Woolworth	49¾	50¼
Cmb'n Eng	34¾	35¼	Masco	33½	34¾	Xerox Cp	76¾	74¾
Cmwlth Ed	34¾	35¾	Mcdonalds	78¾	79	Zenith	26¾	26¾
Cons Edis	43½	44¾	McDonnell	70¼	71			
Cn Nat Gas	40¾	41¼	Mead Cp	67½	69			
Cons Pwr	17¾	17½	Merck	152	155¼			
Cont Data	30¼	31¾	Minsta Mng	126¼	129			
Corning Gl	62¾	64	Mobil	47¾	48¼			
Crane	40¼	39¾	Monsanto	85½	87¼			
Curtiss Wrt	60¾	61	Morgan Jp	42¾	43¾			
Data Genl	30¾	32¼	Motorola	58¼	58¾			
Deere Co	27¾	29¼	NCR	71½	72			
Delta Airl	52	53¼	NL Indstrs	8¼	8¾			
Detroit Edi	16¾	17	Nat Distil	67½	64¾			
Digital Eq	164¼	167¾	Nat Md Ent	27¾	27¾			
Disney	63¾	64¾	Nat Semi	15¼	15¾			
Dow Chem	84¾	86½	Norfolk Sth	30	31¾			
Dresser Ind	27	28½	NW Bancrp	36½	38			
Dupont	113¾	116¾	Occid Petl	35¾	34¾			
Duke Pwr	44¾	45¼	Ogden Cp	64¾	65			
East Kodak	75¾	77¾	Olin Cp	50¾	50¾			
Eaton Cp	79¾	79¾	PPG Ind	41	42¼			
Emerson El	104¼	104¾	Pac Gas El	21¼	22¾			
Emery Air	12¾	12¾	Pan Am	4¾	4½			
Exxon	87½	89¾	Penney JC	96¼	97¾			
Fed Dpt Sts	94¾	95¾	Pennzoil	75½	76			

CANADIAN PRICES

Agnco Eag	39¾	39¾
Alcan Alum	55¼	56¾
Algoma Stl	17¼	17¾
Can Pacific	24	24¼
Cominco	18¾	18¼
Con Bathrst	18¾	18¾
Hawk S Can	28¼	27½
Hud Bay M	26½	26½
Imasco	37¾	37¾
Imperial Oil	66¾	67½
Int Pipe	49¾	49¾
Royl Trstco	34¾	35
Seagram	97½	98¼
Shelco 'A'	23¼	24¼
Thmsn N 'A'	31½	31½
Vanty Cp	2.95	2.90
WCT	16¾	16¾
Weston	38¼	38½

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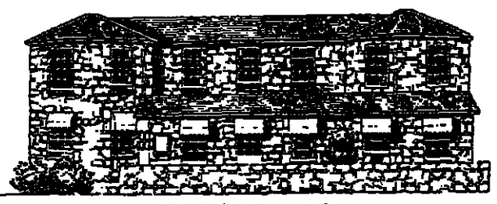
Nr. Abingdon

The Lansdown Hotel
Cheltenham

The King's Arms Hotel
Salisbury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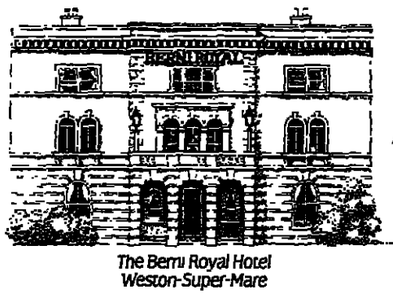
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ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
80, Hardemurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL
0345 717373 (Lenkine)

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Gilt & Fixed	113.4	119.9e	+0.4	10.01
High Inc Equity	117.4	124.8e	+0.6	4.17
Worldwide Bond	196.9	209.4c	+1.4	4.61
American Growth	167.2	177.8	+2.6	1.61
Asian Pacific	68.9	74.3	+0.7	2.58
Assets & Earns	141.9	150.9c	+0.4	1.51
Capital Reserve	70.0	70.4e	+0.2	1.43
Comm & Energy	160.3	170.5e	-1.0	0.41
European Capital	95.3	101.3e	-0.5	1.25
General	169.9	171.1	+1.5	2.63
Japan	92.4	98.2	+1.2	..
UK Growth Inc	143.3	152.4e	+0.1	1.16
Do Accum	208.1	221.3e	+0.1	0.80
US Emerging Co's	58.1	59.6	+0.3	1.83
Equities Progress	257.5	273.9c	+1.7	2.47
MonteriorLAcc	79.1	84.1	+0.3	2.09
American Inc	52.1	55.4	+0.9	4.74

AETNA UNIT TRUSTS LTD
401, St. John Street London EC1V 4QE
01-837 6454

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Australian	84.2	90.1	+1.2	..
Europe Growth Acc	120.4	128.2e	-0.1	1.20
Exempt	376.2	398.5c	+2.1	4.20
Far Eastern	206.9	242.7e	..	0.10
Fin & Prop	79.7	84.4	+0.1	2.06
High Yield	70.2	74.4e	+0.4	4.75
Income & Gth	301.5	319.4e	+2.5	3.84
Intl Earnings	191.0	202.2e	+1.0	2.30
Intl Growth Inc	98.5	104.9e	+0.2	0.55
Japan Growth Acc	153.3	164.0	+0.4	0.19
Nat Resources Inc	264.1	302.6e	+0.3	..
Nth Amer Gth Inc	129.0	138.0	+2.1	0.84
Preference Inc	120.3	127.4e	+0.1	9.77
Small Co's Div Inc	81.8	86.4	+0.2	4.02
Small Co's Gth	286.5	303.5	-1.4	1.24
Special Sits Inc	162.7	172.4	+2.4	1.27
UK Growth	391.3	414.5e	+3.0	2.56

ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS
Allied Dunbar Centre Swindon SN1 1EL
0793 610366 & 0793 26291

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
UK Special Sits	275.8	292.3e	+1.2	2.74
Growth & Income	165.7	175.0e	+1.2	3.11
Capital Trust	260.1	276.3e	+2.2	2.68
Balanced	429.2	454.9	+3.1	2.92
Accum Trust	547.3	580.1	+5.1	2.76
American Income	31.1	33.1	..	4.50
High Income Tst	296.2	316.1e	+1.9	4.11
Equity Income	170.8	181.0	+0.7	4.13
High Yield	170.3	180.5e	+1.1	4.83
Govt Secs Trust	29.4	30.5e	+0.1	8.00
International	105.7	112.6	+1.5	0.93
Japan Fund	150.1	159.9	+1.0	0.01
Pacific Trust	232.2	247.3	+0.7	0.05
Amer Spcl Sits	67.9	72.3e	+0.9	1.31
Secs Of Amer Tst	221.9	236.3	+4.8	0.48
Aid Asset Value	282.3	298.2	-3.9	2.90
Conv & Gilt Trust	38.7	41.1e	+0.2	5.74
Smaller Co's	174.5	185.0	-0.2	2.36
2nd Smaller Co's	218.3	231.4e	-0.1	1.73
Recovery Trust	102.1	108.2e	+0.4	2.39

BALTIC TRUST MANAGERS
20, Criswell Street, London EC1
01-374 6801

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
American	49.6	52.8	..	1.86
Australian	27.1	28.9	..	1.33
Japan & General	142.5	151.7	..	0.02
High Income	53.5	57.0	..	5.27
International Trust	98.3	104.6	..	0.74
Income Gth Tst	60.7	64.5	..	3.07
Gilts & Fixed Int	21.9	23.3e	..	9.41
Global Markets	38.8	41.3	..	4.38
Special Situations	60.5	64.4	..	1.55

BARCLAYS UNICORN
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7
01-534 5544

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
America	92.8	98.2	+2.4	0.92
Asset Accum	247.9	262.3	-0.2	0.31
Do Income	174.8	184.9	-0.2	0.31
Capital	63.1	67.9	+0.5	2.46
Exempt Trust	518.9	550.1e	+3.9	3.53
Extra Income	91.3	96.6e	+0.2	4.29
Financial	257.8	283.3	+0.3	2.77
500	333.0	352.3	+0.5	2.47
General	164.5	176.1e	+0.7	2.76
Gilt & Fixed Inc	54.9	57.7	+0.2	8.49
Japan & Gen Inc	234.8	248.4e	+1.5	0.00
Do Acc	237.5	251.3e	+1.5	0.00
Growth Accum	208.1	221.2e	+1.1	2.01
Income Trust	405.9	429.5	+2.2	3.38

BARING FUND MANAGERS
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XD
01-658 9002

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Australia	99.8	105.6c	+0.3	0.30
Eastern	83.4	89.1	+0.3	0.00
Equity Income	68.5	72.8e	+0.6	4.50
Europe	137.8	146.5	-0.1	1.00
Exempt Trust	23.1	24.6e	-0.1	0.70
Growth & Inc	72.4	77.5	+0.2	2.50
Global Gth	67.8	72.1	+0.2	2.20
Japan Special	116.8	124.1	+0.4	0.10
Japan Smaller	108.5	116.0e	-0.3	0.00
First Europe	118.3	125.8c	-0.5	0.80
First Japan	99.1	105.9	+0.7	0.60
First N Amer	48.1	52.2	+0.5	1.10
First Smaller Co's	90.5	96.2e	-0.1	2.70

BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT
10, Fenchurch St, London EC3
01-623 8000

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Swlr Co Inc	63.4	66.9	+0.6	0.00
Do Accum	68.1	68.7	+0.7	0.00
European Inc	102.7	108.3	-0.2	1.64
Do Accum	125.9	133.9	-0.1	1.64
Fund of Inv Tr Inc	26.0	27.4e	-0.1	1.73
Do Accum	33.6	35.4	-0.1	1.73
General Inc	198.4	209.3	-0.6	1.88
Do Accum	274.1	289.2	-0.9	1.88
Gilt Yield Inc	113.0	116.4	+0.3	10.52
Global Inc	157.5	168.2	..	4.25
Do Accum	228.8	234.6	..	4.25
Japan Inc	197.7	203.7	+0.7	10.52
High Yield Inc	112.1	116.3e	-0.2	4.33
Do Accum	229.8	242.4	-0.5	4.33
Int Rec Inc	124.5	131.4	-0.1	1.89
Do Accum	131.6	138.8	-0.2	1.89
Japan Inc	256.4	269.2c	+1.5	0.17
Do Accum	270.3	285.2c	+1.6	0.17
Japanese Spec Inc	120.0	126.6e	-0.7	0.29
Do Accum	129.8	127.2e	-0.7	0.29
N American Inc	55.0	58.0	+1.4	0.80
Do Accum	63.9	67.4	+1.6	0.80
Pacific Inc	157.5	166.2e	+0.1	0.35
Do Accum	178.1	187.9	+0.1	0.35
Planned Investment	156.1	166.2	..	3.99
Smaller Co's Inc	113.0	119.2	+0.1	0.76
Do Accum	134.7	142.1	+0.1	0.76
UK Equity Gth Inc	33.6	35.4	-0.1	0.26
Do Accum	53.5	56.6	-0.3	0.26
Worldwide Tech Inc	49.3	52.0	..	0.02
Do Accum	49.8	52.5	..	0.02

BROWN SHIPLEY
9-17, Pernymount Rd, Haywards Heath
0444 458144

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Financial	171.0	181.9	-0.3	2.06
Smaller Co's Acc	331.9	351.2e	+0.1	0.77
Do Income	210.5	222.8e	+0.1	0.77
High Income	8.0	8.5e	+0.1	5.00
Income	95.4	101.5e	+0.6	4.14
Man Portfolio Inc	87.9	93.5	+0.2	2.22
Do Acc	148.9	158.4	+0.4	2.22
North American	62.5	66.5	+0.9	1.34
Orient	97.8	103.9c	+0.5	0.28
Exempt	285.6	303.8c	+0.8	2.09
Recovery	67.1	71.0	+0.2	1.71
German	30.7	32.7	-0.1	0.46
Technology	149.4	159.0e	+0.4	0.29
Europe	23.1	24.6e	-0.1	0.76

BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT
The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT
01-588 2868

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Fellowship Inc	81.7	85.6e	..	2.00
General Inc (4)	287.6	302.3	..	1.50
Do Accum (4)	463.0	486.8	..	1.50
Income Fund (3)	125.3	131.4e	+0.9	4.29
Do Accum (3)	223.1	238.2e	+1.5	4.29
Intl Inc (2)	150.2	157.0	..	0.90
Do Accum (2)	200.3	209.4	..	0.90
Smaller Inc (5)	84.9	90.1e	..	1.00
Do Accum	91.3	96.8e	..	1.00

CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT
PO Box 551 Blenc Marks London EC3 7JQ
01-621 0011

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Capital	435.3	463.8e	+2.2	1.54
Income	341.9	363.8e	+1.4	4.25
North American	314.2	334.9e	+4.0	0.74

CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
01-588 1815

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Inv Fund	484.3	e	..	3.50
Fixed Int	147.75	c	..	9.60
Deposit	100.0		..	10.55

CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
01-588 1815

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Income	443.46		..	4.40
Accum	£13.2437		..	..
Deposit	100.0		..	9.60

CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH
0800 373899

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Growth	24.9	26.4e	+0.2	1.90
Dragon Growth Fund	34.3	36.8	+0.1	0.00
Equity High Income	54.9	58.1e	+0.5	3.60
European Growth	31.1	33.0	+0.1	2.00
General Equity	50.0	53.0	+0.4	2.00
Gilt & Fixed Int Gth	31.6	33.3	+0.1	3.10
Gilt & Fixed Inc	25.3	26.7e	+0.1	8.50
Intl Inc Tst	25.6	27.1e	+0.1	0.00
Japan Growth	43.9	46.5	+0.4	0.00
Pedigree Gth	29.7	31.5	+0.2	2.50

COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS
St Helen's, 1, Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ
01-283 7500 Dealing 01-588 5815

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
UK & Gen Inc	56.0	59.6	+0.4	2.73
Do Accum	56.0	59.6	+0.4	2.73
Income Inc	56.4	60.0	+0.4	3.97
Do Accum	56.4	60.0	+0.4	3.97
Worldwide Inc	54.0	57.5	+0.6	1.58
Do Accum	54.0	57.5	+0.6	1.58

COUNTY UT MANAGERS LTD
161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6EU
01-726 1999

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Euro G nh S tat	75.7	80.2	-0.3	0.66
Extra Income	216.0	228.6e	+1.5	3.85
Financial	216.6	229.3	+0.6	2.09
Gth East Asia Gth	81.0	85.8e	+0.3	1.49
Growth Investment	348.7	369.5	+2.5	2.08
Income & Growth	50.8	53.7c	+0.2	3.68
Japanese Growth	288.6	300.1	+0.5	0.40
Nth Amer Growth	118.5	125.5	+1.8	0.97
Intl Recovery	149.5	158.2	+2.8	1.32
Smaller Co's	294.2	311.4	-1.5	1.19
Global Inc Tst	54.4	58.2e	+0.1	6.42
Special Sits Acc	364.6	385.9	+0.6	1.18

CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES LTD
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW
04692 50051

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
American Trust	140.1	149.0	+1.7	0.67
European Trust	126.7	134.8e	..	..
Growth Trust	272.1	289.5	+1.8	2.49
High Income Trust	303.5	322.9e	+3.0	4.61
Intl Tech Trust	127.0	135.1e	+0.4	..
Japanese Trust	192.8	205.1e	+0.2	..

CRUSADER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
Regate, Surrey RH2 8BL
07372 42424

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
UK Income	58.5	62.3e	+0.8	4.72
UK Growth Accum	68.1	72.5e	+0.7	2.41
Do Dist	67.1	71.1e	+0.6	2.41
European Growth	84.1	89.6e	+1.3	1.88
Pacific Growth	72.2	76.9c	+1.0	0.61

EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh
031-226 3452

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
American Fund	71.8	76.4	+1.5	1.31
Capital Fund	134.1	142.6e	+0.8	1.19
Eurofund	27.2	29.0	-0.1	1.72
Growth & Inc Fund	164.8	174.9	+1.5	3.67
High Dist Fund	144.9	154.3e	+0.7	9.10
International Fund	231.4	246.4	+3.6	0.91
Pacific Fund	34.5	36.0	+0.3	0.98
Resources Fund	33.4	35.5e	-0.4	0.28
Smlr Jap Co's Fnd	31.5	33.5	+0.6	..
Tech Fund	234.0	248.2	+8.1	0.00
(Exp Amer (8)	141.1	145.3e	..	2.07
(Ex) Japan (9)	133.3	136.9	+1.9	0.15
(Ex) Pacific (4)	374.7	385.0e	..	0.24
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	187.1	192.2	..	0.10

EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ
0242 527311

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
UK Balanced Inc	86.9	92.2	+0.6	2.57
Do Accum	88.2	94.6	+0.6	2.50
UK Growth Accum	117.9	125.1c	+0.5	1.54
UK High Inc Inc	90.8	96.3c	+0.3	3.63
N American Accum	75.3	80.2	+1.2	0.67
Far Eastern Accum	135.6	144.6	+1.5	0.70
European Accum	89.4	95.4	-0.3	1.21
UK Gilt & Fi Inc	57.1	60.6	+0.2	8.09
Do Accum	60.8	64.5	+0.2	7.50
Intl Spec Sit Acc	50.0		..	..

ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD
Admin Centre, Hexagon House, 28, Western Road, Romford RM1 3LB
0708-66966

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Endurance	129.0	137.3	+1.6	0.96

EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION
Walton Street, Aylesbury, HP21 7QW
0296 434440

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Equitable Pelican	91.3	97.2e	..	2.81
High Income Trust	91.9	97.8	..	4.53
Gilt & Fixed Int	54.0	57.5	+0.1	7.53
Tst Of Inv Trusts	83.5	88.8	..	1.74
Special Sits Trust	96.3	102.5	+0.2	2.15
Nth Amer Trust	64.0	68.1	+1.3	1.56
Far Eastern Trust	112.0	119.2	+0.6	0.37
Intl Growth	59.8	63.7	+0.9	0.97

EQUITY & LAW
St George Hse Crosswater St. Coventry CV1 1GD
0203 553231

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
UK Growth Accum	178.7	190.1e	+1.1	2.77
Do Income	151.4	161.0e	+0.9	2.77
Higher Inc Accum	308.9	329.6e	+2.0	3.86
Do Income	241.3	256.6e	+1.6	3.86
Gilts/Fixed Accum	106.7	112.3e	+0.2	8.17
Do Income	85.9	90.4e	+0.2	8.17
Nth Amer Tst Accum	146.9	156.2e	+2.1	0.00
Far East Tst 'Accum	195.7	208.1e	+3.5	0.00
Euro Tst Accum	166.6	177.2c	+0.3	0.72
General Trust	276.1	293.7e	+2.2	2.66

F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT
1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA
01-623 4680

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
US Smaller Co's	68.5	72.8	..	0.30
UK Income Fund	61.8	67.1e	..	4.86
Far Eastern Fund	82.1	87.4	..	0.00
Overseas Income	74.7	79.5	..	3.36
Fixed Interest	61.9	65.9	..	9.78

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Natural Res Fund	73.2	77.9	..	2.20
European Income	84.0	89.4	..	2.79
Financials Fund	52.9	56.3	..	2.85
Intl Tech Fund	120.5	128.2e	..	0.16

FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS
190, West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA
041-332 3132

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Gth Inc	23.2	24.7	+0.2	..
Do Acc	23.2	24.7	+0.2	..
Balanced Gth Inc	62.5	66.5e	+0.1	1.40
Do Accum	64.0	68.1e	+0.1	..
Income Gth Inc	52.0	55.3	+0.4	5.30
Do Accum	35.7	38.3	+0.4	..
Service Co's Inc	71.4	76.0	..	1.00
Do Accum	72.6	77.2	..	..
Higher Inc	28.7	30.5	+0.1	7.00
Do acc	29.0	30.9	+0.2	..

FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD
River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY
0732 361144

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
American	117.2	124.7	+2.2	0.63
Amer Equity Income	34.2	36.4c	+0.4	3.77
Amer Special Sits	95.0	98.6c	+0.3	0.01
Australia	41.8	44.1	-0.5	1.92
European	51.4	54.4	..	..
European Inc	23.8	25.2	-0.2	3.63
Global Conv	24.2	25.7	..	5.00
Far East Inc	40.7	43.1	+0.2	3.40
Gilt & Fixed Int	30.9	e	..	9.94
Growth & Income	116.1	123.6	-0.4	3.71
Japan Special Sits	56.8	60.7	+1.7	..
Japan	171.7	183.2	+1.1	..
Managed Int	125.6	133.8e	+1.7	0.03
Man Income Equity	108.3	113.1e	-0.1	3.87
Professional Gth	40.9	43.6	..	1.81
South East Asia	46.7	51.9	..	0.09
Special Sits	233.4	248.4	..	0.30

FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ
01-628 5181

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer & Gen Inc	211.0	223.2	+0.7	..
Do Accum	215.5	228.0	+0.7	..
Amer Turnaind Inc	212.7	225.0	+1.6	1.20
Do Accum	220.6	233.4	+1.5	1.20
Capital Tst Inc	259.5	285.5e	+0.3	1.70
Do Accum	329.6	348.7e	-0.4	1.70
Comm & Gilt Inc	102.8	109.7	-0.3	4.65
Do Accum	139.7	147.8	-0.6	4.65
European Inc	68.8	72.5c	+0.5	0.82
Do Accum	68.6	72.6c	+0.5	0.82
Extra Inc Tst Inc	213.4	225.8	+0.5	3.62
Do Accum	234.5	248.1	+0.6	3.62
Financial Accum	68.2	68.4	-0.1	1.05
Do Inc	55.0	58.4	..	1.05
Income Trust	150.7	159.4	+0.2	3.35
Do Accum	167.3	176.8	+0.2	3.35
Int Growth Fd Inc	169.0	179.4	+1.8	..
Do Accum	188.4	199.9e	+2.1	..
Japan & Gen Inc	114.3	120.9	+0.4	..
Do Accum	115.4	122.1	+0.4	..
Monthly Income Fd	111.3	117.7e	+0.2	3.06
PEP 87	53.0	56.0	-0.1	2.66
Recovery	185.8	196.4	+0.6	0.99
Do Accum	202.5	214.3	+0.7	0.99

FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey
0306 885005

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
FP Equity Dist	237.0	251.5c	+1.8	2.33
Do Accum	399.2	423.7c	+3.0	2.33
FP Fixed Int Dist	119.5	127.1c	+0.3	5.85
Do Accum	141.0	150.0c	+0.4	5.85
Secondary Dist	214.8	228.5c	+1.1	1.37
Do Accum	223.7	237.4c	+1.1	1.37
FP North American	131.6	139.5	+2.8	1.31
FP Pacific Basin	222.9	236.3	+1.3	0.21

GT UNIT MANAGERS
8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ
01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Special Sits	78.3	81.2e	+0.6	0.50
UK Cap Find Inc	123.5	133.1	+1.1	2.20
Do Accum	161.8	173.5	+1.5	2.20
Income Fund	95.8	102.0e	+0.5	5.80
Intl Income	168.6	200.7e	+3.1	0.30
US & General	59.4	62.2	+1.2	0.70
Japan General	304.9	324.4e	+5.2	0.16
Far East & Gen	170.4	181.3	+3.5	0.10
European Fund	271.1	288.5e	+0.4	0.10
Germany Fund	64.9	69.1	..	1.00
Intl Inc Fund	55.5	59.1	+0.4	4.20

GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS
2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP
01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766 Dealing 01-623-5808

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
American Trust	89.1	94.8	+2.0	0.70
Australian Trust	36.7	39.1e	+0.3	0.10
British Tst Accum	76.7	81.6	..	2.10
Do Dist	68.1	70.4	..	1.76
Commodity Share	93.7	99.7	..	1.00
European Trust	55.7	59.2	-0.3	0.50
Extra Income Trust	59.4	63.2c	..	4.00
Far Eastern Trust	148.6	158.1	+1.7	0.60
Fixed Interest Fund	27.3	28.1e	+0.1	9.01
Gilt Trust	25.0	26.4	+0.2	0.36
Intl Fixed Int Tst	24.7	26.3e	+0.2	8.00
Global Fund Accum	197.7	210.4	+1.5	0.41
Do Dist	157.9	168.9	+1.4	0.41
Gold Share Trust	26.1	28.0	-1.0	0.60
Hedged American	37.9	40.1	+1.2	0.50
High Income Trust	29.2	31.1e	..	4.90
Hong Kong Trust	36.5	38.8	+0.2	1.00
Income Fund	96.9	103.1	+0.5	2.84
Japan Trust	145.6	154.8	+1.9	0.00
Managed Exempt	295.6	312.1e	+3.7	5.49
Oil & Energy Trust	39.8	41.9	-0.6	2.50
Special Sits Trust	128.7	136.9	+0.3	0.78
UK Smlr Co's Rec Tst	99.0	105.4	-0.7	0.50
Chelsenham UK	25.3	26.8	+0.2	1.92

GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT
Winchester Hse, 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA
01-588 5620

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Intl Growth	99.3	106.6	+0.4	0.99
American Growth	72.1	76.6	+0.2	0.22
European Growth	74.3	79.0e	+1.4	5.09
European Growth	234.6	250.9	+1.5	0.23
Gold & Minerals	74.7	79.4	+1.2	0.43
Japan Growth	56.2	60.1e	+1.2	..
Pacific Inc	85.0	90.3	+0.7	3.95
Pacific Strategy	51.4	54.6	+0.7	0.41
UK Progressive Inc	69.0	73.3	+0.4	3.75
UK Special Opps	148.4	157.8	+0.9	0.85

GRE UNIT MANAGERS
Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN
01-588 8903

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Gilt & Fixed Int	121.2	126.0	+0.6	8.82
Growth Equity	251.4	268.1	+1.4	1.69
Guardhil	333.0	345.1	+1.5	2.33
N American	157.0	168.2e	+4.7	0.55
Pacific	314.1	332.4e	+3.3	0.00
Property Share	359.8	380.8	+0.8	1.04
Smaller Companies	276.0	292.1e	+1.6	1.33
European Trust	277.8	294.0	-0.3	1.86

GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
PO Box 442, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ
01-623 9333

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
High Income	65.2	69.4e	+0.2	5.18
N Amer Trust	116.1	123.6e	+3.1	0.70
Recovery	289.2	307.7e	+1.3	2.40
Gilt Trust	39.8	41.1c	+0.1	8.77
St Vincent Inc	192.2	205.1e	+0.4	4.59
St Vincent US Gth	74.7	77.9	+1.2	0.76
Temple Bar Sm Co's	239.3	252.5	..	2.69
Euro Gth Tst	48.0	51.9e	..	0.80

HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Admin: 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex.
Enquiries 0277 227300 Dealing 0277 217916

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Hambros Smlr Co's	173.1	183.7	+0.6	1.41
Hambros N Amer	66.6	72.8	+1.5	0.89
Hambros Jap & F E	150.2	159.4e	+2.0	0.28
Hambros Scandvn	62.7	67.7	+0.3	0.88
Hambros European	105.6	112.0e	-1.7	4.43
Hambros Canadian	57.8	61.3	-0.7	1.06
Hambros Equity Inc	108.0	114.5	+0.7	4.26
Hamnros High Inc	61.1	65.0e	+0.1	4.67
Hamnros Rea Assts	72.8	77.2	+0.3	0.22
Hambros Intl Sits	69.1	72.3	+1.2	0.89

HENDERSON
Premier UT Administration Admin 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex.
0277 217238

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Recovery Tst	112.7	120.5	+3.7	2.02
Amer Smaller Co's	62.1	66.7e	+0.6	0.01
Australian	103.3	110.7e	-2.3	1.10
Capital Growth Inc	87.9	72.3e	+0.5	1.49
Do Accum	79.1	84.2e	+0.6	1.49
European	268.2	286.9e	-0.7	0.65
Euro Inc Tst	48.2	51.3	-0.2	4.15
Euro Smaller Co's	112.7	120.5	-0.3	0.16
Extra Income	217.0	231.1e	+0.8	3.74
Financial Trust	195.8	198.7	+0.9	2.04
Fixed Interest Tst	64.5	67.8e	..	9.27
Gilt Trust	43.3	46.1c	+0.1	8.31
Global Healthcare	84.8	90.7	+0.9	0.01
Global Inc&Gth	65.3	69.5	+0.2	4.30
Global Resources	128.4	137.3	-1.2	0.03
Global Tech	119.9	127.7	+1.5	0.01
Gold	95.0	101.6	+0.8	1.86
High Income Tst	228.7	243.6e	+1.1	5.66
Hong Kong	65.8	70.1	+0.6	0.34
Income & Growth Inc	173.3	184.6	+0.8	2.77
Do Accum	345.9	368.4	+1.6	2.77
Income Assets	128.3	137.2e	+0.4	3.58
International	189.8	229.2e	+1.5	1.74
Japan Special Sits	222.8	240

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4	Bortonwood Brew	Breweries	
5	DGR	Paper,Print,Adv	
6	Scot & New (aa)	Breweries	
7	Stead & Simpson 'A'	Drapery,Stores	
8	Davidson Pearce	Paper,Print,Adv	
9	Amersham	Chemicals,Plas	
10	Gleeson (M J)	Building,Roads	
11	Allied Lon	Property	
12	Redland (aa)	Building,Roads	
13	TSW	Cinemas, TV	
14	Slough Estates	Property	
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16	Cape Ind	Industrials A-D	
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21	Manders	Building,Roads	
22	Argyll	Foods	
23	Ulster TV	Cinemas TV	
24	Hammerson	Property	
25	Ruberoid	Building,Roads	
26	Davies & Met 'A'	Industrials A-D	
27	Paterson Zoch	O/s Traders	
28	Ultramar	Oil,Gas	
29	Com Union (aa)	Insurance	
30	AGB Research	Industrials A-D	
31	Sainsbury (J) (aa)	Foods	
32	Ampol	Oil,Gas	
33	Hahna	Industrials E-K	
34	Lister	Textiles	
35	Stakis	Hotels,Catering	
36	Barker & Dobson	Foods	
37	Mecca Leisure	Leisure	
38	Body Shop	Drapery,Stores	
39	Wettern Bros	Building,Roads	
40	Hopkinsons	Industrials E-K	
41	BTR (aa)	Industrials A-D	
42	Jerome (S)	Textiles	
43	Elliott (B)	Industrials E-K	
44	European Ferries	Industrials E-K	
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Weekly Dividend

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BRITISH FUNDS

1987 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
		SHORTS (Under Five Years)				
100⅝	99½	Treas 10% 1987	99⅞	..	10.0	9.747
99⅞	97	Treas 3% 1987	98	..	3.0	8.438
102⅝	95½	Treas 12% 1987	101⅛	..	11.8	9.259
99½	97⅝	Treas 7¾% 1988-88	99½	+⅛	7.8	8.853
101⅞	98	Exch 10⅞% 1988	101⅛	● ..	10.4	9.140
101½	98½	Treas C9¾% 1989	100⅞	..	9.7	8.219
99⅞	92⅝	Treas 3% 1989-86	95½	..	3.1	8.923
101⅞	96	Treas 9½% 1989	100⅛	●+⅛	9.5	8.158
104⅞	95½	Treas 11¾% 1989	103⅞	..	11.1	9.164
103⅛	99½	Treas 10½% 1989	102⅝	..	10.3	9.238
102⅞	97½	Exch 10% 1989	101½	..	9.8	9.188
107⅛	100	Exch 10¼% 1989	105⅛	●+⅛	9.7	9.578
105	96⅞	Exch 11% 1989	103⅞	+⅛	10.8	9.136
94⅛	89⅞	Treas 5% 1989-89	93⅞	..	5.3	8.084
101½	95½	Treas C9½% 1990	100⅛	..	9.4	9.187
93	88⅝	Treas 3% 1990	92½	+⅛	3.2	7.106
110⅛	105⅛	Treas 13% 1990	109⅞	+⅛	11.9	8.963
105⅛	95	Exch 11% 1990	104⅞	..	10.5	9.057
109⅞	99½	Exch 12½% 1990	109⅞	+⅛	11.5	9.084
89⅞	84½	Treas 3% 1990-95	89⅞	+⅛	3.7	7.092
99⅞	93½	Treas 8¼% 1987-90	98⅞	+⅛	8.4	8.844
104	97½	Treas 10% 1990	102⅞	●+⅛	9.7	9.067
97⅞	80⅞	Exch 2½% 1990	96⅞	●+⅛	2.9	6.979
109½	99½	Treas C10% 1991	106⅞	+⅛	9.4	9.620
109⅛	102⅛	Treas 11¾% 1991	108⅞	+⅛	10.9	9.088
93⅞	86½	Fund 5¼% 1987-91	93	..	6.2	7.762
109⅞	100⅛	Exch 11% 1991	106⅞	●+⅛	10.3	9.046
86⅛	79½	Treas 3% 1991	85⅛	●+⅛	3.5	7.943
		FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS				
115½	107⅞	Treas 12¼% 1992	113⅞	+⅛	11.2	9.083
105½	92⅞	Treas 10% 1992	103⅞	+⅛	9.7	9.095
107⅞	99½	Treas C10½% 1992	105⅛	●+⅛	10.0	9.115
115	100⅛	Exch 12¼% 1992	112⅞	+⅛	10.9	9.215
120	106⅞	Exch 13½% 1992	117⅞	+⅛	11.5	9.288
102⅞	89⅞	Treas 10% 1993	103⅞	+⅛	9.6	9.122
117⅞	108	Treas 12½% 1993	115⅞	+⅛	10.8	9.209
92	81⅞	Fund 6% 1993	91½	..	6.6	7.755
124	113⅞	Treas 13¾% 1993	121⅞	+⅛	11.3	9.253
129½	113½	Treas 14½% 1994	126⅞	+⅛	11.5	9.216
119⅞	103⅞	Exch 12¼% 1994	119⅞	..	10.7	9.305
123⅞	113½	Exch 13½% 1994	121⅞	+⅛	11.1	9.305
102	91½	Treas 9% 1994	100⅞	+⅛	9.0	9.002
117½	105⅞	Treas 12% 1995	114⅞	+⅛	10.5	9.288
81⅞	75⅞	Gas 9% 1995-95	80⅞	●+⅛	3.7	9.000
106⅞	97⅞	Exch 10¼% 1995	105⅞	+⅛	9.7	9.214
122⅞	111⅞	Treas 12¾% 1995	120⅞	●+⅛	11.0	9.280
130	117⅞	Treas 14% 1996	127⅞	+⅛	11.0	9.330
101½	89½	Treas 9% 1996-98	99⅞	..	9.0	9.183
138	125½	Treas 15½% 1996	135⅞	●+⅛	11.2	9.309
129⅞	114⅞	Exch 13½% 1996	124⅞	●+⅛	10.7	9.216
86	80	Rdmpt 3% 1996	86⅞	..	3.5	
107	96½	Conv 10% 1996	105	+⅛	9.5	9.189
127½	115½	Treas 13½% 1997	125⅞	+⅛	10.6	9.244
119⅞	98	Exch 10½% 1997	108⅞	+⅛	9.7	9.184
99⅞	86½	Treas 8¾% 1997	97⅞	+⅛	8.9	9.053
139½	125½	Exch 15% 1997	136⅞	●+⅛	11.0	9.460
87⅞	77½	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	85½	●+⅛	7.9	8.886
106	94½	Exch 9¾% 1998	103⅞	+⅛	9.4	9.189
145	128½	Treas 15½% 1998	141⅞	+⅛	10.9	9.427
111½	100½	Exch 12% 1998	110⅞	●+⅛	10.1	9.415
105½	93⅞	Treas 9½% 1999	103⅞	+⅛	9.2	9.024
123½	108½	Exch 12¼% 1999	120⅞	+⅛	10.1	9.296
111½	99⅞	Treas 10¼% 1999	109⅞	●+⅛	9.6	9.176
110½	97⅞	Conv 10¼% 1999	107⅞	●+⅛	9.5	9.170
130⅞	116½	Treas 13% 2000	127⅞	+⅛	10.2	9.307
102½	89½	Conv 9% 2000	99⅞	+⅛	9.0	9.005
109⅞	94½	Treas 10% 2001	107	+⅛	9.3	9.069
107½	92	Conv 9¾% 2001	105⅞	+⅛	9.3	9.008
134	120½	Treas 14% 1998-01	131⅞	●+⅛	10.7	9.418
		OVER FIFTEEN YEARS				
110⅞	97½	Conv 10% 2002	107⅞	+⅛	9.3	9.073
121½	109½	Exch 12% 1999-02	119	+⅛	10.1	9.287
108½	93½	Treas 9¾% 2002	105⅞	+⅛	9.2	9.070
110½	94½	Treas 10% 2003	108	+⅛	9.3	9.054
138½	121½	Treas 13¾% 2000-03	133	+⅛	10.3	9.333
121	105	Treas 11¾% 2001-04	118⅞	+⅛	9.7	9.144
110⅞	97½	Treas 10% 2004	108½	●+⅛	9.2	9.051
56½	51½	Fund 3½% 1999-04	57½	+⅛	6.1	8.119
106½	93½	Conv 9½% 2004	104	●+⅛	9.1	9.039
106½	93½	Conv 9½% 2005	104⅞	+⅛	9.1	9.025
115½	99½	Exch 10½% 2005	113⅞	+⅛	9.3	9.088
131½	119½	Treas 12½% 2003-05	129⅞	+⅛	9.7	9.086
93⅞	82½	Treas 8% 2002-06	91½	+⅛	8.7	8.919
109½	93½	Conv 9¾% 2006	108½	●+⅛	9.2	9.040
125	110½	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	123⅞	+⅛	9.5	9.080
98⅞	86½	Treas 8% 2007	96½	+⅛	8.8	8.897
140½	121½	Treas 13½% 2004-08	137⅞	+⅛	9.8	9.061
100½	87½	Treas 9% 2008	100⅞	+⅛	8.9	8.892
93½	80½	Treas 8% 2009	91½	+⅛	8.7	8.855
68½	58½	Treas 5½% 2008-12	67½	+⅛	8.2	8.715
90½	79½	Treas 7¼% 2013-15	88½	+⅛	8.7	8.855
133½	117⅞	Exch 12% 2013-17	130½	+⅛	9.2	8.984
		UNDATED				
45	39½	Consols 4%	43½	+⅛	9.1	—
40½	34½	War Ln 3½%	38½	+⅛	8.9	—
51½	46½	Conv 3½%	50	+⅛	7.0	—
33½	29½	Treas 3%	32½	..	9.1	—
28½	24½	Consols 2½%	27½	+⅛	9.0	—
29½	24½	Treas 2½%	27½	+⅛	9.0	—
		INDEX-LINKED				
129½	124⅞	Treas IL 2% 1988	129½	+⅛	2.0	1.003
114½	108½	Treas IL 2½% 1990	113½	+⅛	2.1	1.643
98½	93½	Treas IL 2% 1992	95	+⅛	2.6	2.470
128½	117½	Treas IL 2% 1996	125⅞	+⅛	2.3	2.233
131½	100½	Treas IL 2½% 2001	107⅞	..	3.0	3.479
129½	99½	Treas IL 2½% 2003	106½	●..	2.9	3.490
113	102½	Treas IL 2% 2006	108½	..	2.6	3.439
127½	97½	Treas IL 2½% 2009	104	●..	3.0	3.383
113½	102½	Treas IL 2½% 2011	108⅞	+⅛	3.1	3.391
95½	85½	Treas IL 2½% 2013	91	..	3.1	3.339
103½	92½	Treas IL 2½% 2016	99	..	3.1	3.295
101½	90½	Treas IL 2½% 2020	97	..	3.0	3.257
86½	80½	Treas IL 2½% 2024	82	..	2.9	3.225

BANKS DISCOUNT HP

1987 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
273	230	Allied Irish	247	252	..	9.8b	3.6	7.2
90½	84	Ansbacher (Hldgs)	84	85	● ..	9.0	3.4	34.0
261	219	Aust New Z	247	251	+3	15.0	6.0	..
112½	70	Bankamerica	7½	..	-⅛	..	..	..
255	193	Bank Of Ireland	227	232	..	17.0	7.4	..
14	11½	Bank Leumi Israel	13	15	..	..	..	..
255	240	Bank Leumi UK	245	255	..	17.7	6.0	9.5
480	365	Bank Of Scotland	478	482	+17	23.8	4.9	8.3
80	68	Bank Of Wales	77	80	-1	3.4	4.3	10.0
573	484	Barclays (aa)	518	522	+15	30.0	5.8	6.8
91	45	Beechwood	73	78	+1	2.3	3.1	20.0
600	563	Brown Shipley	580	575	..	13.0	2.4	22.5
139	101	Bull Mortgage	135	135	-3	2.5	1.9	11.8
415	230	Cater Allen	395	400	..	24.5	7.3	48.9
74	53	Cattles	65½	66½	● ..	3.4	5.2	12.1
27½	21½	Chase Manhattan	21½	..	-½	139	6.6	..
51	30½	Citicorp	30½	..	-½	356	6.8	..
111½	85	Commerzbank	90½	..	-1½	6.0	0.1	..
298½	218	Deutsche Bank	2183	..	-2½	200f	5.5	..
34½	29½	Equity & Gen	30½	31½	..	1.3	4.3	29.2
355	202	First Nat Finance	257	270	-1½	01	3.6	10.7
365	295	Gerrard Nat	307	310	-1	22.1	6.9	..
110½	89½	Guinness Peat	101	102	-1	3.4	3.3	16.1
260	235	Hambros	245	248	-2	10.6a	4.3	10.0
521	395	Hill Samuel	487	500	+1	19.1	3.8	11.9
78	53	I M Smith	63	64½	●+½	3.3b	5.2	..
543	412	Joseph (Leopold)	530	545	..	18.2	3.4	22.8
160	134	King & Shaxson	172	176	+2	12.5	7.2	14.8
643	462	Kleinwort Benson	472	480	●+3	20.0	4.2	9.0
534	440	Lloyds (aa)	550	557	+29	25.7	4.6	6.1
90	75	Lon Scot	83	86	..	4.3	5.1	12.4
404	347	Mercury Int	356	358	+1	8.8	2.4	..
138	122	Do 6% 'A'	177	180	-1	8.6	6.7	..
674	589	Midland (aa)	610	617	+35	36.6	5.7	8.6
432	360	Morgan Grenfell	373	376	..	15.0	4.0	9.6
245	187	Nat Aust Bk	235	234	+2	..	..	..

BREWERIES

1987 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
406	317	Allied-Lyons (aa)	380	382	..	14.5	3.8	17.4
996	728	Bass (aa)	827	835	+2	24.0	2.9	16.2
75½	62	Belhaven	70	72	+½	1.0	1.4	36.0
145	131	Bodington	134	136	● ..	5.3	3.9	14.8
578	540	Brown (Matthew)	560	566	..	20.0b	3.5	10.7
171	136	Buckleys	143	146	..	4.3	3.0	33.5
208	141	Bulmer (H P)	189	194	-1	7.7	4.2	18.7
717	660	Burtonwood Brew	713	720	+3	15.4	2.1	23.9
515	440	Clark (Matthew)	468	475	-1	12.1	2.6	16.2
204	202	Devenish (J A)	214	219	-3	3.0	1.4	30.0
248½	187	Greenall Whitley	229	231	+½	7.0	3.4	13.9
351	259	Greene King	348	352	..	8.4	2.4	20.0
444	264	Guinness (aa)	330	332	●+10½	11.6	3.5	12.6
653	473	Hardy & Hansons	643	653	..	26.7	4.1	14.3
77½	63	Highland Dist	73	78	..	3.2	4.3	14.5
181	128	Invergordon Dist	170	175	●+2	7.5	4.3	11.3
208	145	Irish Dist	192	197	-1	6.0	3.1	..
131	113	Marston Thompson	128	130	..	3.2	2.5	18.4
560	345	Morland	513	523	-1	10.0	1.9	25.2
375	131	S A Breweries	355	365	..	..	..	..
279	176	Scot & Newc (aa)	225	227	+2	10.3	4.6	13.7
597	460	Vaux	568	570	-10	17.0	2.9	18.5
349	272	Whitbread 'A' (aa)	316	318	-1	11.5	3.6	14.6
352	248	Do 'B'	332	340	..	11.5	3.4	15.5
328	210	Whitbread Inv	292	298	-1	11.0	3.7	37.7
432	282	Wolverhampton & D	310	315	+1	7.0	2.2	17.5
345	274	Young 'A'	378	380	-7	11.4	3.0	25.8

BUILDINGS AND ROADS

1987 High	Low	Company	Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
280	163	Abbey	253	258	-2	..	..	..
252	202	Aberdeen Constr	255	260	+16	11.0	4.5	20.0
330	270	Ashtead	330	334	-1	17.1	5.1	11.1
58	39	Anglo Utd	48	51	+4	2.2	4.5	24.4
232	68	Arlington	120	130	+11	2.3	1.8	22.3
292	217	Allenbrit	267	270	..	7.5	2.8	22.1
279	227	BPB Ind (aa)	257	260	-2	14.3	2.7	19.4
175	57	Bagenham Brick	150	180	..	2.5	1.8	20.9
89	31	Bailey (Geo) Constr	48	51	..	0.9	1.8	10.0
297	158	Barratt Devs	166	168	● ..	11.9	7.1	17.5
220	160	Bellway	204	205	● ..	10.7	5.2	10.6
369	134	Berkeley Gp	358	368	+3	3.2	0.9	40.0
121	65	Bett Bros	108	112	-3	4.6	4.3	20.3
78½	65	Blackwood	75	78	●+1	4.0	5.3	22.1
857	670	Blue Circle	815	817	+1	32.5	4.1	16.8
250	200	Bovis(Lond)Cloud Hill	290	310	● ..	16.1	5.4	18.9
138	85	Br Dredging	124	128	..	5.7	4.5	18.5
37	14½	Brown & Jackson	28½	30	..	..	..	75.0
180½	152½	Bryant	152	158	● ..	6.1b	3.9	10.6
18	11	Burrell & Hallam	15	16	-1	..	..	1.7
150	80	Calebrand Holdg	120	135	-10	4.7	3.7	21.1
202	149	Cant(Hldg)Renfrew	159	165	..	4.0	2.5	..
256	150	Condor Gp	180	190	●-3	5.7	3.1	22.1
533	403	Costain	514	516	..	25.0	4.9	9.6
605	480	Countryside	566	570	+1	9.1	1.6	18.6
230	211	Crouch (David)	211	212	..	8.5	4.0	10.2
157	129	Douglas (Geo)	132	135	+1	3.9b	2.9	26.9
169	118	Estil	170	175	+2	8.1	3.5	15.6
175	98	Feb	152	162	..	2.5	1.6	27.6
276	180	Do 'A'	192	202	..	2.5	1.2	18.6
222	118	Fairclough Hldg	205	209	●-3	5.7	2.8	14.5
106	88	Fisher Gp	97	100	-2	5.4b	5.5	26.9
134	92	Galliford	122	125	..	7.2	5.9	19.1
143	118	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	135	145	●+3	2.9	2.1	20.0
435	348	Glasgow (MJ)	430	440	+5	9.4	1.9	12.0
220	182	Harrison Ind	210½	215½	-5	7.1	3.3	15.9
10	425	Hillcal Ser	930	970	+30	2.9	0.3	8.6
254	172	Henderson	220	223	-1	10.0	4.5	14.7
93	74	Hewden-Stuart	89	90	..	2.7	3.0	13.5
248	228	Heywood Williams	294	296	+1	11.1	3.8	16.1
676	540	Higgs & Hill	595	603	..	21.4	3.6	12.6
89	49	Hollis Steel	73	76	..	2.1	2.8	20.0
275	185	Hubert Johnson	236	240	●-2	8.6	3.6	12.3
635	470	Jarvis (J) & Sons	625	640	..	24.3	3.8	..
522	378	Lilley (J)	446	448	●+4	12.1	2.7	9.9
520	379	Do 'A'	446	448	●+4	12.1	2.7	9.9
139	86	Lawrence (Walter)	134	136	+1	5.7	4.2	18.7
53	42	Lilley (F.W.)	43	45	-½	5.6e	12.5	5.7
237	182	Lovell (Y.J)	217	220	-1	5.7	2.6	15.1
345	242	Magnet & South	316	318	-1	12.7	2.4	27.9
350	328	Marley	330	332	●+2	21.1	4.3	17.5
182	123	Mickey	136	138	●+1½	5.9	4.3	15.6
253	188	Monklands (Edifice)	213	216	-2	7.9	3.7	18.1
350	328	McAlpine (Alfred)	332	334	..	20.7	4.1	11.8
447	303	McCorquodale	428	437	+1	4.8	1.1	19.1
365½	288	Meyer Int	324	327	-1	8.5	2.6	17.4
77	38	Miller (George)	52	57	..	1.8	3.3	17.5
443	320	Minster (John)	416	420	+2	22.9	5.5	12.0
986	785	Newarth (John)	900	..	..	17.9	1.9	20.4
405	305	Nottingham Brick	365	375	..	11.4	3.1	21.0
441	252	Pentlandside	438	442	● ..	9.0	2.0	15.9
156	89	Phoenix Timber	125	130	..	..	..	4.8
400	370	Redland	470	480	● ..	20.0	4.2	13.3
847	692	RMC Gp (aa)	800	805	+12	25.0	3.1	13.2
148	73½	Ruberoid	123	128	+1	1.4	1.1	43.7
500	399	Redland (aa)	425	431	+6	17.1	4.0	13.8
457	250	Rotamold	440	450	+6	15.0	3.3	13.0
243½	184	Rugby Cement	214	215	●+2	10.0	4.7	13.3
255	183	Sandell Perkins	233	238	-1	3.7	1.6	21.9
188	136	Sharpe & Fisher	173	178	..	4.3	2.4	16.3
118	85	Scott (J)	117	118	+1	4.8	3.6	19.7
563	225	Tarmac (aa)	460	464	+6	15.8	3.2	20.7
355	268	Taylor Woodrow	343	345	-3	13.6	4.0	12.7
298	197	Tilbury Group	292	298	-1	9.7	3.3	14.1
304	243	Trafalgar House	290	292	+1	7.4	2.5	13.2
189	92	Tunnel	128	129	..	1.6	1.3	68.6
265	205	Turriff	262	265	..	12.1	4.3	13.1
538	330	Wimpey	495	510	..	15.6	3.1	17.4
159	98	Wood (Geo)	145	148	..	5.3	3.6	19.1
555	307	West Hldgs	498	503	+6	11.8	2.4	12.1
129	93	Worthington (T)	95	100	..	1.4	1.4	11.2
240	180	CEC (aa)	194	197	-2	6.3	3.2	12.2
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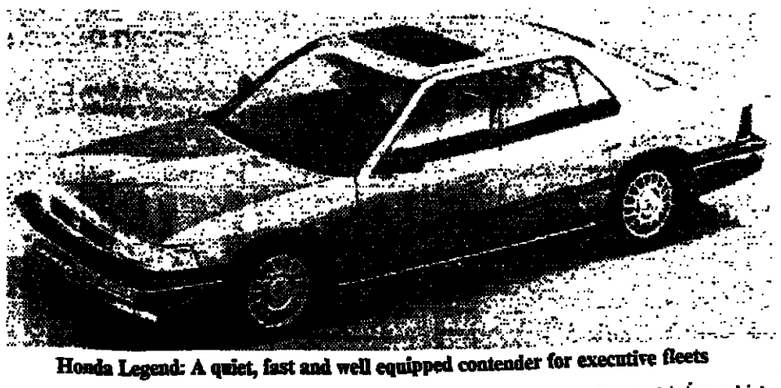
Motoring by Clifford Webb

A legend joins the executive class

The Honda Legend may be assembled at Cowley alongside the Rover 800 but it is immediately recognisable as a Honda, looking for all the world like a big brother of the Accord. Some critics have suggested that being identified as Japanese will reduce its chances of breaking into the lucrative European market for large executive cars. I do not take that view.

Honda has an enviable reputation among European motorists for quality, styling and above all excellent engineering. It is already widely seen as a manufacturer of upmarket vehicles. The time was clearly ripe to produce a competitor for the likes of BMW, Mercedes, Audi and Volvo. That Honda has done so by collaborating with Austin Rover in the biggest joint venture yet in the international motor industry has set a few alarm bells ringing in Munich and Stuttgart.



Honda Legend: A quiet, fast and well equipped contender for executive fleets

Vital Statistics

Model: Honda Legend (manual)
Price: £14,700
Engine: 2493cc V6
Performance: 0-60mph 9.2 seconds, max speed 130mph
Official consumption: Urban 22.4mpg; 56mph 40mpg; 75mph 32.1mpg
Length: 15.8 feet
Insurance: Group 9

The Legend has a more rounded appearance than the Rover while its big, anti-collision American bumpers add a few more inches in length, giving it a sleeker appearance.

The six-strong Rover range offers a choice of the new and much praised Longbridge-designed 2 litre, 16 valve, four cylinder engine or Honda's 2.5, all alloy, 24 valves V6. The Legend is restricted to the big engine only with a 5-speed manual or 4-speed automatic. For £2,000 you can add a package of extras to the already lavish specification. They include air-conditioning, electric seat adjustment, alloy wheels, an improved radio-cassette-stereo and headlamp wash/wipe.

Manual gear changing is still the most popular choice up to 2 litres, but when you get to V6s automatic is preferred. For that reason I was disappointed when the test Legend turned out to be manual.

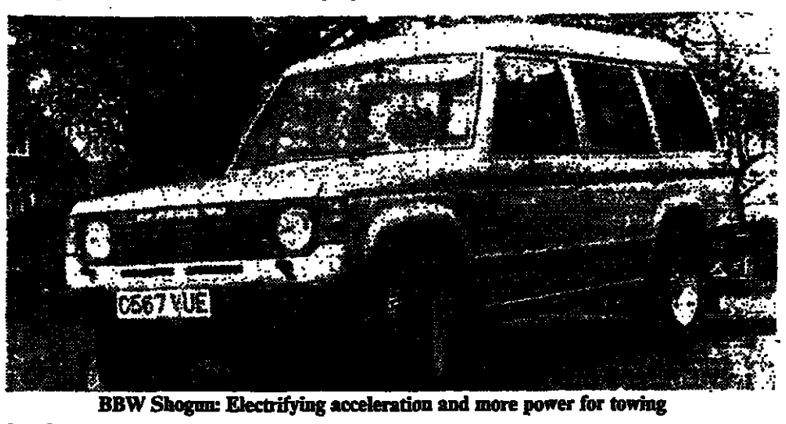
There is nothing wrong with the new Honda 5-speed box — gear selection is crisp and quiet, the clutch is commendably light — but buyers of expensive cars on the fringe of the luxury car sector are in the main people who prefer the more relaxed driving which comes with an automatic.

In the Legend's case there is another reason. The V6 lacks mid-range torque. That calls for too-frequent gear changes. In other respects this is a magnificent, modern power unit — smooth and refined.

The interior lets down a car of this class. There is still too much shiny plastic on the fascia — an all too common fault with Japanese cars.

These are relatively minor faults which Honda will rectify with characteristic application. The Legend is a quiet, fast, well-equipped new contender. For a first effort it is outstanding.

Shogun is given a power boost



BBW Shogun: Electrifying acceleration and more power for towing

No matter how old we are there is something immensely satisfying about driving a powerful 'Q' car. Who of us can resist the look on the face of the driver in the latest logo-plastered 'hot hatchback' when a burst of acceleration leaves him gasping in your wake? His surprise is all the more when the car leaving him behind is a very large, very square, Japanese copy of the Range Rover.

The turbo-charged conversion of the Mitsubishi Shogun is the work of BBW Motorsport of Brackley, Northamptonshire, run by racing driver Dave Brodie and engineer Ken Brittain. They made a reputation as tuners with a racing programme based on the Mitsubishi Starion and many Starion parts figure in the Shogun.

The standard 2.6 petrol engine is retained, but the Mitsubishi carburettor is ditched in favour of a twin-choke Webber. A Garrett T3 Turbo is mounted via a neat nickel-chrome exhaust manifold and an intercooler slotted in ahead of the radiator. The result pushes the power up from 105bhp to a claimed 240bhp.

The effect is electrifying. The BBW Shogun will accelerate to 60mph in 7.6 seconds compared with the original's 18 seconds. It has a top speed of 118mph.

Oversize wheels shod with Goodrich all terrain 30x9.5 tyres, lowered suspension and reworked front geometry keeps wheel-spin to a minimum and makes handling much crisper.

This conversion is not intended for speed freaks. It has been produced in answer to requests from Shogun owners who want more power to tow a trailer or caravan.

The engine conversion alone costs £1,950. The other bits and pieces are optional. If you stipulate the lot it adds up to some £3,500.

Growing trend of 'throwaway' cars

By Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent

In the last 20 years, the growth of car rental and leasing has been one of the most remarkable phenomena to occur in the industrialized world. The car rental industry is now worth about £550 million a year in the United Kingdom alone.

The modern consumer society has spawned the "throwaway" car — the company-provided vehicle that is discarded after the regulation number of miles, or is hired for a day or a week to satisfy a specific need.

Hertz and Avis are names as well known as the badges on the vehicles they rent or lease. And in the UK, well over half the cars on the roads are not owned by their drivers.

According to Budget Rent A Car, the car and van rental market in the UK grew by 12 per cent in 1985, more than twice the rate of inflation. The industry, it is estimated, spent an extra £1 million advertising its services and the top six operators increased their car fleets to 55,000 vehicles, or one car for every1,000 of the population.

Last year, the car rental market was hit by the effects of American reluctance to visit Britain following terrorist scares. But according to Swan National, any spare capacity the rental companies had during July and August was taken up by airlines offering passengers the incentive of free car hire.

Budget estimates that the top six operators have retained about 45 per cent of the market by value and offer the corporate customer in particular a service generally beyond the scope of the smaller operator. Last year, the market leader was Godfrey Davis Europcar with 270 rental locations, followed by Budget with 116, Hertz with 100, Swan National with 91 and Avis with 90.

Europcar and Hertz each has a daily rental fleet of 10,000 cars, Swan National has 7,500, Budget has 6,500 and Avis, famous for "trying harder", has 7,000.

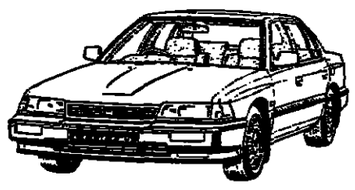
On the leasing front, a survey conducted by the British Vehicle Rental and Leasing Association (BVRLA) shows that reduced tax advantages in finance leasing are leading to changes in the ways commercial vehicle fleets are operated, with finance leasing experiencing a decline and contract hire a rise.

The survey showed that in 1985, compared with the previous year, there was a 19 per cent boost in self-drive rental for cars, a 20.3 per cent jump in contract hire and a rise of 11.6 per cent in finance leasing. But finance leasing of lorries fell by more than a fifth.

Finance leasing, with vehicles being sold at the end of the agreement, became less popular as the result of Budget changes in recent years that have reduced capital allowances on new equipment from 100 per cent to 25 per cent. These allowances could be set against profits by those providing the lease capital.

Hertz predicted recently that business car leasing rates would rise substantially this year following the weakening of the pound against European currencies and the yen.

It forecasts that by the end of the year the average monthly rental of a Ford Escort 1.6L will be £193 on a 24-month or 40,000 miles contract compared with the present rate of £175. A Vauxhall Cavalier 1.6L model will cost £223 against £202 at present.



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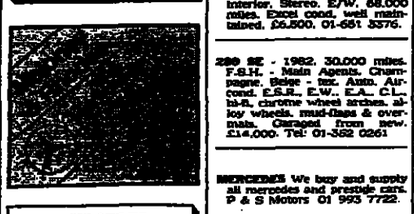

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Cash network to help small fry

By Derek Harris

Five enterprise agencies which got together to try to generate more investment cash for small businesses are likely to be joined soon by other agencies around the country, establishing a stronger national network.

After only a month of operation, the new venture has several millions of pounds on offer to help fill the so-called equity gap. This exists because small businesses needing, usually, around £50,000 backing are too small fry for many venture capital organizations which often see investments of less than £200,000 as uneconomic to administer. So far, the combined agencies have more money available, by a proportion of about four to one, than there are applications for help, according to the London Enterprise Agency, one of the enterprise agencies behind the new scheme, the Local Investment Networking Company (LINC).

The venture will be a "marriage bureau" bringing together investors and small businesses. So far, most investors have offered between £50,000 and £100,000 — though one man walked in ready to hand over £500,000 — so in many instances the cash *from a single investor is likely to be spread over several businesses.* The other agencies in LINC are the Aberdeen Enterprise Trust, Manchester Business Venture, Northamptonshire Enterprise Agency and Medway Enterprise Agency, the latter backed up by nine more local agencies.

Discussions are now going on which are likely to lead to several more local enterprise agencies joining LINC, in Staffordshire, Cleveland and Cardiff, as well as a group of half a dozen or more covering Cornwall. The marriage bureau *concept for investments was pioneered by LEnIA in 1980, but* Aberdeen and Manchester have been running similar operations for more than two years with great success. Peter Lovell, LEnIA's general manager, said: "The national coverage will give a greater spread of investors and that in turn will lead to more investable cases coming forward." LINC is establishing a common register of investors and is publishing regularly a national bulletin of business opportunities. There will also be local investor meetings.

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Tourism blossoms down on the farm

By Ian A. Jack

Janis Wilson spends her life in two worlds — and reckons she has the best of both. At one part of the day she may be found helping with the lambs on the family farm nestling under the ridges of Blencathra in the Lake District. But by teatime she will be welcoming guests to the 17th-century farmhouse.

For Mrs Wilson, aged 44, and her husband, William, 45, the tourist trade of "dinner, bed and breakfast" is a growth business. It has, over 17 years, helped them expand a simple, two-up, two-down cottage to a guest house of eight bedrooms, four bathrooms, three dining-rooms and two kitchens.

Now, the property is worth six figures, a striking example of how farming can run hand in hand with tourism.

The Wilsons married 22 years ago in the picturesque church at Matterdale, near Ullswater, not far from where they now live. He was an agricultural contractor, she a former nursery nurse and children's nanny. Five years later they moved to Gill Head, where there was no real kitchen, bathroom or piped water.

Janis Wilson and Amanda, aged 16, the youngest of three daughters, are forever busy combining running a Lake District farm with caring for tourists at their eight-bedroomed guest house

Mrs Wilson recalls: "We decided that if we were to do something about the place we would have to take in people, so we bought a caravan for £10 and lived in that while we let our bedrooms."

This first letting income led to a gradual process of house improvement in which Mr Wilson provided the ideas and, with a friend, the labour. When he later took over the 300-acre family farm on which Gill Head stands, he took another step into tourism by putting caravans on the disused Penrith to Keswick railway line adjoining the farm.

Turnover from guest lettings grew eventually to £20,000 a year. "Until four years ago it was making more than the farm," says Mrs Wilson. That is not quite the case now, for two reasons. One is that the Wilsons are busy running two sheep and beef farms totalling 600 acres, the other that the pattern of bookings has changed over the years and turnover from lettings is down to £15,000. July and August, once traditionally the busy months, are now among the quietest.

The holidaymakers' glimpse into the comfortable but workaday world of a Lake District farmhouse is not only entertaining for the guests, it has brought a broader life to the Wilsons' three daughters. Fiona, aged 21, has been to agricultural college and will be helping with the farm; Amanda, 16, already helps out but hopes to go to college; middle daughter, Susan, 18, is a nursery nurse.

Mrs Wilson is sentimental about the farm she has seen grown from the family labours. "When I first walked in I felt that the building welcomed me," she says. "It would break my heart to leave."

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Worcestershire prodigy who is hungry for runs

For many Worcestershire supporters, those who are more than mere disciples of fame and fair weather, the compelling lure of the new season comes not from the sudden glamour their club has purchased but from the developing genius of Graeme Hick.

To say that Hick is on the verge of greatness may just be doing him a disservice. The fact is, that at the age of 20, this stocky, essentially shy young man has achieved far more than most manage in a lifetime. Records have fallen to him like ripe apples from a tree. The game accepts him as the best young batsman in the world. But, for all that, he remains caged by a dilemma.

Anxious to make his mark in Tests

Hick's frustration is his birthright. He would be an automatic selection for any Test nation, but he was born in Zimbabwe and that, for the moment, puts him in the wilderness.

Last year, he decided to begin qualifying for England – a daunting procedure which may take up to 10 years. He has since flirted with the short cut into Test cricket which New Zealand has already provided for his old team-mate Dipak Patel, but yesterday he confirmed that he will not be pursuing the idea.

"I may go out there to play club cricket next winter, but that will be because I fear the game in Zimbabwe is standing still. I get too relaxed now when I play back home and it isn't good for me. New Zealand could give me a new challenge but I have no intention of qualifying there."

That will be greeted with relief at Lord's, where discussions have already taken place regarding a possible reduction in Hick's painful wait. In two years' time, provided he keeps to the rules and spends at least 210 days a year here, he will officially become a British citizen. The next step, to England cricketer, may not be too long delayed.

Hick has come through the worst of his impatience. "It got to me last summer, when there was so much said and written about my position. Now I have accepted I have to wait."

Hick's stated ambition to play for England was not greeted with wild enthusiasm by the Zimbabwean cricket authorities, who took the view that they had helped create his talent. He recalls: "It wasn't an easy decision, and I expected a few hassles when I went back in the winter. Some of the cricket guys were clearly upset, but the reaction of the public was that I had done the right thing."

While in Zimbabwe, Hick scored four centuries for his club team, Old Hararians, and got his golf handicap down to nine. By March, he was back in Worcester, pondering the problem of improving on a year when he averaged 65 and became the youngest player in history to score 2,000 runs in a season.

"This time last year I was not even sure to get in the Worcester side. I thought I would be sharing the overseas player position with Ricky Ellcock. I was originally left out of the opening match but when David Smith was injured they brought me in and I never looked back.

"It was all beyond my most optimistic thoughts. Initially, I had just been hoping to top 1,000 runs. Getting 2,000 has certainly given me something to live up to."

Hick has already felt the pressure of his own expectation. He made an unbeaten century in Tuesday's friendly with Warwickshire, but he was not happy with it. "All through our net sessions I had been fretting, telling myself that I should be playing better. I didn't time the ball well at Edgbaston, but it did make me realize I had got to relax and play naturally."

He lives a bachelor life, enjoying a social night out when things go well, and consoling himself with endless videos when they don't. In Worcester, he is a celebrity. "I'm recognized in most of the shops and I'm still at the stage where it's a nice feeling to get some attention," he admits.

He will never tire of making runs

Worcester's band of followers, preparing for this weekend's opening game against Kent, will be praying he stays that way, hoping he never tires of the wait for recognition. They need not fear. Hick is currently charged by the excitement of being part of the team everyone wants to watch, and he cannot imagine losing his motivation.

"I've seen and heard of batsmen who grew bored with making runs. I don't understand it. The feeling I get from hitting a ball through the covers is enough for me. I can't get that feeling sitting in the pavilion."

There will be the usual buzz, the familiar air of anticipation, when the imposing Hick – six foot three and almost 15 stone – strides urgently out to bat at the fall of Worcester's first wicket tomorrow or on Sunday . He goes to the middle as if late for an appointment, as perhaps he believes he is. "There are," he says, "a few more records in the county book I would like to break soon."

Alan Lee

Hick: Despatching a short ball for four (Photograph: Hugh Routledge)

TABLE TENNIS

England can give retiring Chinese a testing farewell

By a Special Correspondent

Four great Chinese players will be taking part in an international series against England over eight venues starting at Sunderland tomorrow, as a prelude to their retirement to become coaches and trainers.

They are Chen Xinhua, a member of the 1985 and 1987 world title-winning teams. Fan Changmao, a former top ten player now ranked sixteenth in the world, Yong Guangdi, a former Chinese national runner-up, and Cheng Yinghua, the winner of the 1985 US Open championships, during which he beat not only Europe's two leading players, Jan-Ove Waldner and Andrzej Grubba, but the world champion Jiang Jialiang as well.

All are expected to return home afterwards to help China retain their position as incomparably the world's greatest table tennis nation – with the possible exception of Chen Xinhau, who is still unsure whether he will be able to remain in this country and whether to marry a young woman he met in Manchester on a previous tour.

One might ordinarily fear for England in such a long drawn-out series against so much talent, even with the European Top Twelve champion Desmond Douglas scheduled to play in all eight matches, the only home player to be so.

If England play well, however, they might give the quartet a last outing to remember. There have been whispers that England might be gathering together a squad strong enough to make a realistic challenge upon the European title next year.

Much depends upon the National Top Twelve champion Alan Cooke, who surprisingly beat Chen Xinhua in the world team event in Delhi in February. Vital, too, are committed performances from Carl Prean.

ENGLAND SQUAD: D Douglas, C Prean, A Cooke, S Andrew, J Souter.

MOTORSPORT

BMWs set to win

The Estoril circuit, home of the Portuguese Grand Prix since 1984, plays host to the second round of the European touring car championship this weekend. The opening race, at Donington Park on April 5, proved a walk-over for the BMW M3s, which had been excluded from success in the first world touring car round at Monza on March 22 for bodywork infringements.

With slight bodyshell modifications, the M3 has proved a winner every time it has run. After further world series success in the hands of Emanuele Pirro and Roberto Ravaglia in Spain last weekend, it is difficult to envisage the Munich cars suffering defeat.

So far, the Ford RS Cosworth Sierras have proved fast enough to worry the BMWs by topping the qualifying timesheets in both Italy and Spain, but neither car is entered for the European championship.

The much vaunted Alfa Romeo 75 Turbos are struggling to find form, even in the hands of Jacques Lafitte and Alessandro Nannini, while in Spain all three Maserati BiTurbos failed to qualify. Both marques will be represented in Portugal, but neither is expected to win.

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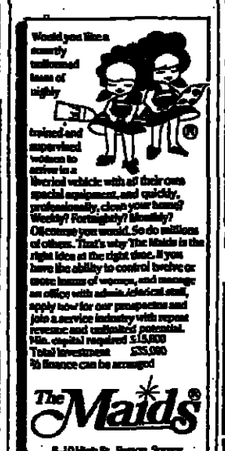

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RACING: PROGRESSIVE IRISH FILLY IS PICK OF A STRONG OVERSEAS CHALLENGE FOR TRUSTHOUSE FORTE MILE AT SANDOWN PARK

Grey Goddess can make fitness tell

By Mandarin

Grey Goddess, a fit and improving filly, can follow up her recent victory at the Curragh in the group two Trusthouse Forte Mile at Sandown Park today.

She gained a conclusive 2½l-victory over King's College in the group three Gladness Stakes with some good horses behind, notably Polonia. The going was soft that day but she has also proved her ability to handle fast ground, showing pleasing acceleration to land a group three contest at the Curragh last season on good to firm going.

Trainer Edward O'Grady, who holds Grey Goddess in a high regard, has found a promising opportunity for his charge here as questions can be asked of several of her rivals.

Teleprompter rarely runs a bad race and certainly looks one of Grey Goddess's main rivals. However, he has not won first time out in any of his five season's racing and may again need the outing to bring him to his peak.

Hadeer enjoyed a tremendous season in 1986 but he too is without a run this season and is possibly better suited by seven furlongs rather than a stiff mile, while Cresta Auction, a good third at Newmarket last time, has shown his best form on easy ground.

However, for the nap I rely on Street Party in the Childwick Bury Maiden Fillies Stakes. She showed plenty of promise in her three runs last season, her best effort being a neck second to Sansabell at Salisbury after attempting to make all.

She looks as though she will be suited by this 1¼-mile trip and hails from a stable which has already sent out three-year-old winners. Quelle Fille, from another in-form stable, that of Paul Cole, could be the main danger.

Trapeze Artist, twice a course and distance winner here, is penalized 4lb for his Newmarket success but more importantly he is not the easiest horse to catch right and could be worth opposing with Blockade.

Blockade was first past the post three times last season although he was demoted to second on one of those occasions. He stays thoroughly and should be sharper for his seasonal debut at Kempton last weekend.

Barry Hills has made an excellent start at Manton and he can provide the best bet on the Beverley programme with **Brave Defender** in the Leconfield Maiden Stakes.

Sedgefield provides the National Hunt action and I nominate **Big White Chief** as an appealing prospect in division one of the Bran Tub Novices' Hurdle.

No respite as ill luck dogs Smith Eccles

By Alan Lee

Steve Smith Eccles has enjoyed the finest moments of his career at Cheltenham but he will want to erase this week's meeting from his mind as rapidly as possible.

The entire week, indeed, has been a nightmare for Smith Eccles. At Newton Abbot on Saturday he suffered the worst of his many falls this season. An injured wrist ruled him out of the Easter meetings and when he returned, still sore, on Wednesday he dismayed himself with his performance on Tsarella, runner-up in the feature hurdle.

Yesterday, his fortunes hit rock bottom. Chasing winners to help his trainer Nick Henderson's battle to retain his championship title, Smith Eccles hit the deck again aboard Kinceses, odds-on favourite for the Western Novices' Handicap Hurdle.

In contrast Simon Sherwood, who rode Ricmar to win the Cheltenham Juvenile Novices' Hurdle, has enjoyed a fine week. Since Saturday, he has ridden eight winners, four of them for his brother Oliver, whose horses have emerged from mid-season disorders in devastating form.

The Sherwoods took the first race yesterday with Tenzing and considered him a good thing on the prevailing ground. Tenzing is aimed for a handicap at Haydock on the May Day holiday but before that the Sherwood brothers have a date in Ireland next week when their Aintree winner Aldino contests the Guinness Four-Year-Old Hurdle at Punchestown.

Among Aldino's opponents will probably be David Nicholson's highly-rated Ranelagh, withdrawn from Ricmar's race yesterday. Nicholson, however, profited from the fall of Kinsces to score with New Gold Dream, ridden enterprisingly by Richard Dunwoody.

Cheltenham Gold Cup winner, The Thinker, remains a doubtful starter for tomorrow's Whitbread Gold Cup at Sandown Park, but trainer Arthur Stephenson is following his now *familiar routine of last-minute* decisions.

A spokesman for the stable said yesterday: "Mr Stephenson will not make up his mind until the morning. We are obviously hoping for rain and the horse would almost certainly not run if the ground was firm."

Cybrandian, second to The *Thinker* in last month's Gold Cup and due to be ridden again by his Cheltenham partner, Chris Grant, is another unlikely to take part on firm ground.

Stoute formulates plans for Guineas

By Michael Seely

Michael Stoute announced yesterday that Walter Swinburn would ride Milligram and that Greville Starkey would be on Hiaam as the reigning champion trainer attempts to beat his 1,000 Guineas jinx at Newmarket next Thursday.

Since Starkey rode Fair Salinia into second place behind Enstone Spark in 1978, Stoute has had the frustrating experience at watching six fillies finish in the first four in the classic. In 1986 Swinburn made marginally the wrong choice when Sonic Lady finished a short head behind Maysoon when the pair finished second and third to Midway Lady.

The news from the Henry Cecil camp was that Scimitarra, is unlikely to run in the 1,000. The only possible Warren Place candidate is now Indian Skimmer, who finished fourth to Tweeter at Newmarket last autumn. Martha Stevens, the stable's easy Nell Gwyn Stakes winner, goes to Longchamp for the French 1,000 Guineas on May 25.

It was also announced that neither Suhailie or Pillar Of Wisdom will take on Zajal in tomorrow's Guardian Classic Trial at Sandown. Cecil plans to send Suhailie to next week's Coral Newmarket Stakes and Olivier Douieb intends to run Pillar Of Wisdom, his Derby hope, in Paris on Sunday.

Michael Stoute: attempting to overcome Guineas hoodoo

Douieb said that Noble Minstrel, his comfortable Free Handicap winner and currently third favourite at 10-1 for the 2,000 Guineas still had the French equivalent on May 10 as an alternative target.

POINT-TO-POINT

Ardent enthusiast who thrives on competition

By Christopher Goulding

Personalities more usually associated with Flat racing have recently been appearing on the competitive East Anglian point-to-point circuit, notably Jeremy Hindley, the trainer, George Duffield, the jockey and David Minton, the bloodstock agent.

All three of them are more *than casual observers* of the sport. Duffield plays the part of head lad to his wife, Gill, who trains point-to-pointers for both Hindley and Minton.

Mrs Duffield's involvement with the sport started three years ago. "I ran a livery yard where we had a stable full of hunters. Some friends of ours had a *point-to-pointer who didn't* jump very well and asked if we could help. We schooled it with our hunter and were later persuaded to race our horse. To our surprise he won the traditional members' race by a distance.

"After that we just loved it. My husband is as keen on pointing as me and finds he gets more nervous watching our horses than he does race-riding. He does all the schooling at Newmarket, on the Links, and loves his hunting with the Puckeridge and Thurlow."

"I was taken aback when asked to train for Jeremy Hindley, and Mrs Thomson Jones, the wife of the trainer, Tom, also has a horse with me.

"Point-to-pointing is so enjoyable because of the tremendous atmosphere generated by the people who attend. I cannot fault the sport, I just wish it went on all year round."

Rhusted, the horse Mrs Duffield regards as a future champion, recently won *The Times* qualifier at Horseheath by a very easy 10 lengths. He has now won four races this year but the six-year-old, owned by Jeremy Hindley, will not run in the final at Towcester.

Mrs Duffield explained: "Rhusted is a lovely horse. He won two races on the Flat for Barry Hills and then developed leg trouble. There is plenty of time for him to go hunter chasing. He is still improving." The Burrough Green stable may, however, be represented at Towcester by *Elusive Spirit*.

Mrs Duffield says: "I am a very competitive person so it is terrific to have all this competition around here."

SANDOWN PARK

Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.00 Endearing.	2.00 —
2.35 Blockade.	2.35 Just David.
3.05 Genobra.	3.05 Neshad.
3.40 Grey Goddess.	3.40 Hadeer.
4.10 No Beating Harts.	4.10 All Agreed.
4.40 STREET PARTY (nap).	4.40 STREET PARTY (nap).

Michael Seely's selection: 4.10 PERION (nap).

Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-0432 TIMESFORM 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 ..... B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F-fell. P-pulled up. U-unseated rider. B-brought down. S-slipped up. R-refused). Horse's name. Days since last outing. (B-blinkers. V-visor. H-hood. E-Eyeshield. C-course winner. D-distance winner. CD-course and distance winner. BF-beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F-firm. good to firm. hard. G-good. S-soft. good to soft. heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

Going: good **Draw: 5f high numbers best**

2.0 JUVENILE MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,282: 5f) (12 runners)

101 (3) DUSKY NANCY (R Cross) S Dow 8-11 ..... A McGlone —
102 (12) 4 ENDEARING 9 (Mrs J Corbett) B Hills 8-11 ..... C Asmussen —
103 (8) FLASH BIRD (Mrs B Burchett) R Hannon 8-11 ..... G Starkey —
104 (10) 0 GRAN CANARIA 13 (Exors late T Stratton Smith) R Hannon 8-11 ..... Pat Eddery —
106 (5) MARYBEE (G Elks) Mrs N Macauley 8-11 ..... R Hills —
107 (6) 0 MELODY LANE 9 (V) (D Chapman) M Haynes 8-11 ..... P Cook —
109 (7) PETINGO GOLD (Mrs J Beeby) G Balding 8-11 ..... J Williams —
110 (2) RATION OF PASSION (N Bryce-Smith) J Bridger 8-11 ..... M Roberts —
111 (11) SO IT GOES (Exors late T Stratton Smith) D Laing 8-11 ..... S Whitworth —
114 (4) TIMELY (R Sangster) B Hills 8-11 ..... R Street —
115 (9) TITIAN BEAUTY (Mrs T Mills) D Wilson 8-11 ..... T Williams —
116 (1) WHAT A HOPE (H Joel) A Ingham 8-11 ..... R Curant —

BETTING: 11-8 Endearing, 7-2 Gran Canaria, 5-1 Melody Lane, 8-1 Titian Beauty, 10-1 So It Goes, 12-1 What A Hope, 20-1 others.

1986: SAXON STAR 8-11 Pat Eddery (11-2) J Winter 6 ran

FORM ENDEARING, looks certain to show marked improvement on first effort when (8-11) green in the early stages but running on into 4th beaten 5¼l by Tricky Note (8-11) with MELODY LANE (8-11) showing no sign of ability finishing last of 9, at Newmarket (5f, £2448, good, Apr 15).

FLASH BIRD (foaled Feb 21) is from Elegric's first *crop and hails from a stable that has a good record* with early juveniles

GRAN CANARIA comes from the same stable but showed no sign of ability on debut when (8-11) 16¾l last of 6 to Stride Home (8-11) at Newbury (5f, £2976, heavy, Apr 11, 6 ran).

TIMELY (foaled Feb 16: Cost 124,816 gns) is by King's Lake who has made an impressive start at stud out of a dam who was fairly useful at up to 1m 2f. Her stable is in form and she should have ability.

TITIAN BEAUTY (foaled Feb 23: Cost 10,500 gns) by Auction Ring, predominately a sire of milers, out of a dam who won over the minimum trip at 2 years old. *Should be quite speedy.*

WHAT A HOPE (foaled May 2) is from a stable that does notoriously well with early juveniles.

Selection: ENDEARING

2.35 GUILDFORD HANDICAP (£5,010: 1m 6f) (14 runners) C 4

201 (12) 00/000-0 KUBLAI 8 (G) (Mrs S Khan) L Holt 5-10-0 ..... B Rouse 95
202 (2) 204122- HAUWMAL 216 (F,S) (Sheikh Mohammed) W Hern 4-10-0 ..... W Carson 92
203 (6) 11111- CAP DEL MOND 191 (F) (Prince Ahmed Salman) G Harwood 4-9-10 ..... G Starkey 95
205 (4) 22340-0 MAJESTICIAN 9 (F) (D Roman) G Pritchard-Gordon 4-9-4 ..... G Carter 91
206 (14) 2/1301-0 BLOCKADE 6 (F,S) (F Salman) P Cole 4-9-2 ..... T Quinn 97
207 (3) 12102- JUST DAVID 218 (D,F,S) (A Lethwich) A Stewart 4-9-0 ..... M Roberts 94
209 (11) 4410-31 SARONICOS 8 (G) (Capt M Lemos) C Brittain 4-8-11 (4ex) ..... S Cauthen 98
210 (5) 13000- NICOLA WYNN 244 (S) (C Harper) D Elsworth 4-8-8 ..... C Asmussen 91
211 (7) 4/020-4 ILE DE ROI 8 (L Holliday) H Candy 4-8-7 ..... W Newnes ● 99
212 (10) 20000-1 TRAPEZE ARTIST 9 (CD,F,G) (Introgroup Ltd) N Vigors 6-8-6 (4ex) ..... S Dawson 98
214 (1) 0/00000- KING OF COMEDY 247 (F) (J Corre) C Horgan 5-7-12 ..... T Williams 96
215 (9) 00/0311- WHITE MILL 247 (F) (D H Jones) D Elsworth 5-7-10 ..... A McGlone 94
216 (8) 10/000-0 HOLLISTON 11 (S) (D Prenn) J Winter 5-7-10 ..... A Mackay 89
217 (13) 00/4040- ALDO KING 206 (G,S) (Mrs V Langford) D Oughton 6-7-7 ..... B Crossley —

BETTING: 5-2 Trapeze Artist, 7-2 White Mill, 9-2 Saronicos, 6-1 Cap Del Mond, 8-1 Ile De Roi, 10-1 Hauwmal, 12-1 Blockade, 20-1 others.

1986: MILTON BURN 5-8-5 S Dawson (13-2) H O'Neill 11 ran

FORM CAP DEL MOND (10-2) remains unbeaten and was still on the upgrade at the end of last season; beat Tom Sharp (8-5) at Haydock on final start (2m, £4058, good to firm, Oct 13, 5 ran).

JUST DAVID, subject of good reports, battled on well when (9-10) a head 2nd to Ightham (9-0) at Yarmouth (2m 2f, £2700, good, Sep 18, 15 ran).

SARONICOS, in excellent form and still well handicapped, held off (8-5) a somewhat faint hearted challenge form Guffland (9-2) by ½l with ILE *DE ROI (8-7) 4l further back in 4th and KUBLAI (10-0)* 9th of 10. Newmarket (1m 4f, £4503, good, Apr 16, 10 ran).

TRAPEZE ARTIST did not get the clearest of runs and is probably marginally better than (7-10) a 2½l defeat of In Dreams (7-9) with MAJESTICIAN (8-12) unplaced suggests, Newmarket (1m6f, £6295, good, Apr 15, 11 ran).

WHITE MILL latest run can be ignored and is best judged on (7-13) a 4l defeat of The Prudent Prince (9-4) at Ayr (1m 7f, £8504, good to firm, Jul 21, 8 ran).

Selection: SARONICOS

3.5 TUDOR GRADUATION STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,511: 1m) (9 runners) C 4

301 (9) 0 FIGHTING FORCE 27 (C Drinkwater) C Horgan 8-11 ..... P Cook —
302 (7) FOUNTAINCOURT (R Sangster) B Hills 8-11 ..... C Asmussen —
304 (1) 0-2 GENOBRA 13 (O Zawawi) M Francis 8-11 ..... S Cauthen ● 99
306 (4) GO WEST (R Sangster) B Hills 8-11 ..... M Hills —
308 (5) 0- IMPERIAL BRUSH 171 (P Pulon) D Elsworth 8-11 ..... A McGlone 98
310 (2) L'ETOILE GLISSANTE (H Leichman) J O'Donoghue 8-11 ..... R Fox —
313 (6) 1- NESHAD 189 (G) (H H Aga Khan) M Stoute 8-11 ..... W R Swinburn 98
314 (8) 0 PICHIRICO 8 (Capt M Lemos) C Brittain 8-11 ..... G Baxter —
318 (3) ATHIR (Hamdan Al-Maktoum) C Benstead 8-8 ..... B Rouse —

BETTING: 9-4 Neshad, 7-2 Genobra, 4-1 Imperial Brush, 8-1 Fontaincourt, Go West, 10-1 Fighting Force, 12-1 Pichirico, 16-1 others.

1986: PROHIBITED 9-2 T Quinn (9-1) P Cole 9 ran

FORM FIGHTING FORCE (9-0) was tailed off behind Lochivor (9-0) in a good quality maiden at Doncaster (7f, £2910, soft, Mar 28, 18 ran).

FOUNTAINCOURT, a son of Kings Lake out of an unraced half-sister to Arctique Royale who won the Irish 1,000 gns.

GO WEST out of a speedy mare who has produced two winners including Hollywood Party.

GENOBRA (9-0) showed improved form on heavy ground when a neck 2nd to Versatile (9-0) at Newbury (1m, £3737, Apr 11, 13 ran).

IMPERIAL BRUSH (9-0) was disqualified from a short head win over Salazie (8-11) in a Leicester maiden (1m, £964, good, Nov 4, 17 ran).

NESHAD (9-0) made a very favourable impression when a 3l winner from Pirlie (8-11) in a Newmarket Challenge Cup (7f, good, Oct 17, 6 ran).

PICHIRICO (9-0) was prominent early, but then faded into mid-division behind Domus (9-0) in a Newmarket maiden (7f, £3658, good, Apr 16, 20 ran).

Selection: NESHAD

3.40 TRUSTHOUSE FORTE MILE (Group II: £28,440: 1m) (8 runners) C 4

401 (8) 1010-0 TOCA MADERA 27 (S) (Miss D Threadwell) L Browne (Ire) 4-9-4 ..... G Starkey 89
402 (7) 0431-43 CRESTA AUCTION 9 (D,G,S) (Miss H Gevers) G Pritchard-Gordon 4-9-0 ..... G Carter 75
403 (6) 110100- HADEER 190 (F,G) (W Gredley) C Brittain 4-9-0 ..... S Cauthen 87
406 4) 2023-10 STAR OF A GUNNER 13 (D,F,G,S) (J Neville) R Holder 7-9-0 ..... J Reid 62
407 (5) 330210- TELEPROMPTER 160 (V,D,F,G,S) (Lord Derby) J W Watts 7-9-0 ..... T Ives ● 99
408 (1) 11100-2 VAGUE SHOT 27 (D,F,G,S) (A Anthony) R Casey 4-9-0 ..... Pat Eddery 70
409 (3) 00000-0 VERTIGE 14 (F,G) (D Wildenstein) P Biancone (Fr) 5-9-0 ..... A Cruz —
410 (2) 10103-1 GREY GODDESS 13 (D) (Mrs F Watts) E O'Grady (Ire), 4-8-11 ..... S Craine 86

BETTING: 11-4 Grey Goddess, 7-2 Teleprompter, 9-2 Hadeer, 6-1 Toca Madera, 10-1 Cresta Auction, 12-1 Star Of A Gunner, 14-1 Vague Shot, 20-1 Vertige.

1986: FIELD HAND 4-9-0 B Thomson (11-2) B Hills 7 ran

FORM TOCA MADERA, behind on reappearance in Group 3 event at Saint-Cloud, last season (9-0) beat Wise Counsellor (8-11) a head in the Demmstown Stud Derby Trial at Leopardstown (1m 2f Group 3, £29900, good to soft, May 10, 9 ran).

CRESTA AUCTION, winner of 3 races at around 1m last year, returned to something like best last time when (8-10) 3¾l 3rd to K-Battery (8-10) at Newmarket (1m 1f Group 3, £21759, good, Apr 15, 10 ran).

TELEPROMPTER (9-7) had HADEER (9-0) 9l back in 6th when a ½l runner-up to Sure Blade (8-11) in the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Ascot (1m, £31280, good to firm, Sep 17, 7 ran).

HADEER had shown better earlier when (9-3) beating Truly Nureyev (8-6) a neck at Newbury (7f 60y Group 3, £21705, good, Aug 15, 11 ran).

GREY GODDESS was impressive on reappearance when (9-9) beating King's College (8-7) 2½l at The Curragh (7f Group 3, £13413, soft, Apr 11, 6 ran).

Selection: TELEPROMPTER

4.10 ATHLONE HANDICAP (£3,973: 5f) (11 runners) C 4

501 (1) 130004- ALL AGREED 167 (CD,F,G,S) (T Waterman) J Winter 6-9-10 ..... B Thomson 91
502 (2) 0332-31 PERION 4 (D,F,G,S) (E & B Productions Ltd) G Lewis 5-9-9 ..... Pat Eddery 96
504 (5) 020000- AL TRUI 191 (F,G,S) (M Saunders) D Elsworth 7-9-7 ..... B Rouse 86
505 (3) 00220-0 CHAPLINS CLUB 6 (B,D,F,G,S) (P Savill) D Chapman 7-9-6 ..... W R Swinburn 89
506 (9) 00030-2 CREE BAY 4 (CD,F,G,S) (D Oseman) J Spearing 8-9-3 ..... W Carson 93
507 (6) 040000- LOCHTILLUM 195 (D,F,G,S) (J Douglas-Home) J Douglas-Home 8-9-3 ..... S Cauthen 89
511 (11) 40000-0 QUARRYVILLE 21 (D,F) (A Reynolds) K Brassey 4-9-12 ..... R Hills 98
512 (4) 00000-0 NO BEATING HARTS 9 (D,S,F) (T Hart) M McCormack 4-8-9 ..... C Asmussen 93
514 (8) 0000-03 FARNCOMBE 21 (A Richards) H O'Neill 4-8-3 ..... S Whitworth 97
516 (10) 002100- TACHYON PARK 192 (F) (D) (T Lyons II) P Arthur 5-8-3 ..... C Rutter (3) 88
517 (7) 23203-0 TAYLOR OF SOHAM 11 (F) (Taylors of Soham Ltd) D Leslie 4-7-12 ..... D McKay ● 99

BETTING: 7-2 Perion, 9-2 Cree Bay, 5-1 Lochtillum, 6-1 Farncombe, 7-1 Taylor Of Soham, 8-1 Tachyon Park, 10-1 Chaplins Club, 12-1 All Agreed, 16-1 others.

1986: BRIDGE STREET Ldy 5-9-3 G Baxter (11-4 fav) J Bosley 10 ran

FORM PERION appears to have shown remarkable improvement of late, last time out (9-11) easy 4l winner from CREE BAY (9-5) at Kempton (5f, £2815, good, Apr 20, 9 ran).

AL TRUI lost his form latter half of last season after a (9-9) neck 2nd to Boot Polish (8-10) at Pontefract in July (6f, £5963, firm, 14 ran).

FARNCOMBE is most untrustworthy but put in a fair effort last time (8-3) to finish 1½l 3rd to Lonely Street (8-5) at Kempton (6f, £2893, soft, Apr 3, 24 ran), with QUARRYVILLE (9-0) in need of the race and out of the first 10.

QUARRYVILLE is better judged on last season's (9-2) 4th, beaten less than 2l, to Merdon Melody (7-9) at Newmarket (6f, £6659, good, May 2, 18 ran) with

TAYLOR OF SOHAM (7-7) about 1½l 7th.

Selection: PERION

4.40 CHILDWICK BURY MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,813: 1m 2f) (15 runners)

603 (10) 000-3 CI SIANO 10 (E Adkson) M Ryan 8-11 ..... N Day 82
605 (11) 040402- EDRAIANTHUS 207 (P Goulandris) D Laing 8-11 ..... T Williams 88
607 (2) 043- GRANNY BIMPS 171 (Thoroughbred Breeders Inc) R Sheather 8-11. A Shoults (3) 89
608 (9) 0- HEIGHT OF ELEGANCE 217 (T Rootes) P Walwyn 8-11 ..... B Thomson 98
609 (5) 0- JOANE'S STYLE 186 (Roldvale Ltd) P Kelleway 8-11 ..... W R Swinburn 5 89
610 (1) 03- OVERDRIVE 190 (L Freedman) H Cecil 8-11 ..... S Cauthen 92
611 (14) 32- QUELLE FILLE 226 (F Salman) P Cole 8-11 ..... T Quinn 94
613 (7) 0 SNOW HUNTRESS 11 (T Egerton) W Hern 8-11 ..... W Carson —
614 (4) 323- STREET PARTY 197 (E Moller) G Wragg 8-11 ..... Pat Eddery ● 99
617 (6) 0- TRANISKI 203 (Mrs A Clabby) J Dunlop 8-11 ..... T Ives —
618 (8) 0 TURNER'S REACH 13 (M Myers) K Brassey 8-11 ..... W Newnes —
619 (13) 0- WHITE JAZZ 274 (W Gredley) C Brittan 8-11 ..... G Baxter 80
620 (12) 00000- WIND AND WAVE 179 (J Jeyes) D Laing 8-11 ..... S Whitworth —
624 (3) KAYTIGGY (A Clore) B Hills 8-7 ..... C Asmussen —
626 (15) PRIMULA STAR (Gurong Stud Ltd) P Cole 8-7 ..... P Waldron —

BETTING: 7-4 Street Party, 4-1 Overdrive, 8-1 Granny Bimps, Height Of Elegance, 10-1 Kaytiggy, Snow Huntress, 12-1 Quelle Fille, Ci Siamo, 16-1 others.

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Course specialists

TRAINERS

	Winners	Runners	Per Cent
H Cecil	17	54	26.6
W Hern	20	78	25.6
M Stoute	32	138	23.2
G Harwood	31	143	21.7
C Brittain	26	165	15.8
H Candy	7	51	11.5

JOCKEYS

	Winners	Rides	Per Cent
Pat Eddery	43	123	35.0
T Quinn	16	77	20.8
W Carson	46	228	20.2
A MacKay	7	37	18.9
S Cauthen	32	194	16.5
G Starkey	30	187	16.0

BEVERLEY

Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.30 Sully's Choice.	2.30 Recollect.
3.00 Winmoss.	3.00 Plasi Bach.
3.30 Brave Defender.	3.30 Sher Shah.
4.00 Rustic Track.	4.00 Tamassos.
4.30 Kaladiola.	4.30 Mandalay Prince.
5.00 Paresse.	5.00 Warring States.
5.30 Thornfield Lad.	5.30 Mummy's Charmer.

By Michael Seely

3.00 Ginnys Slipper. 3.30 Sher Shah.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.30 SHER SHAH.

Going: good to firm **Draw: high numbers best**

2.30 WITHERNSEA HANDICAP (£1,755: 5f) (15 runners)

1 (6) 00001-0 SULLY'S CHOICE 25 (D,F,G,S) (W Chapman) D Chapman 6-9-12 ..... — 98
3 (14) 002001- ROYAL FAN 157 (D,S) (I Armitage) M H Easterby 4-9-7 ..... M Birch ● 99
4 (9) 203330- SNAP DECISION 179 (G) (A Mastiman) R Bastiman 4-8-13 ..... D Nicholls 94
8 (3) 031P0-0 RESTLESS RHAPSODY 14 (D,F,G) (W Haggas) W Haggas 4-8-13 ..... G French 91
10 (8) 200-000 TOP THAT 9 (D,F,G,S) (T Barron) T Barron 6-8-11 ..... D M White (7) 93
11 (5) 03200-0 JACKIE BLAIR 25 (D,F,S) (Jack Blair Ltd) M McCormack 5-8-11 ..... M Wigham 92
13 (7) 004000- MISS PRIMULA 193 (G) (Kavli) W Bentley 4-8-7 ..... R P Elliott 94
14 (11) 3110-03 BARGAIN PACK 9 (D,F,G) (J Taylor) Mrs G Reveley 4-8-7 ..... Julie Bowker (7) 91
15 (10) 000000- FARMER JOCK 191 (D,F) (Mrs N Macauley) Mrs N Macauley 5-8-6 ..... B Raymond 94
17 (2) 0/0000-2 RECOLLECT 16 (Forme Packaging Supplies) J Payne 5-8-2 ..... R Cochrane 97
18 (4) 4020-40 STANBO 11 (L Gotch) D Dale 4-8-1 ..... P Robinson 96
20 (13) 100034- CAPTAIN'S BIDD 179 (D,G) (R Whiting) H Whiting 7-8-0 ..... S Williams (7) 94
21 (1) 4234-00 JAMES DE COOMBE 20 (Mrs L Ritchie) M Bolton 5-7-12 ..... J Lowe 93
23 (12) 3000-24 THE STAMP DEALER 11 (J Moores) E Alston 4-7-7 ..... A Proud 98
24 (15) 000000- MAYBE JAYNE 179 (B) (Mrs I Anderton) A Jones 4-7-7 ..... N Carlisle 85

BETTING: 7-2 Sully's Choice, 4-1 Bargain Pack, Royal Fan, 9-2 Recollect, 13-2 Jackie Blair, 8-1 Snap Decision, 10-1 Captain's Bidd, 14-1 others.

1986: BINCLEAVES 8-9-1 G Baxter (9-4 fav) M McCormack 12 ran

3.0 SCARBOROUGH SPA SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £979: 5f) (19 runners)

2 (11) BRAVE INDIAN (J Ramply) W Wharton 8-11 ..... W Ryan —
4 (14) 0 FRISKY FORT (A Smith) A Smith 8-11 ..... M Birch —
5 (12) 0 GINNYS SLIPPER 9 (Mrs J A Robinson) G Moore 8-11 ..... — —
6 (17) 0 MICK MULLIGAN 18 (Mrs C Calver) P Calver 8-11 ..... M Fry —
7 (18) 3 NO TOPS 23 (Mrs J M Berry) J Berry 8-11 ..... J Carroll (5) —
8 (2) PEMBERTON (E McMahon) P Rohan 8-11 ..... S Webster —
9 (1) PLASI BACH (G Insoll) M Prescott 8-11 ..... C Nutter —
10 (5) 00 PRECIOUS MEMORIES 11 (W Chapman) D Chapman 8-11 ..... — —
11 (15) SHOOT THE POT (Mrs S Dimond) J Wilson 8-11 ..... — —
13 (19) 00 SUMMER PARK 16 (F Carr) F Carr 8-11 ..... S Morris —
15 (8) 32 WINMOSS 6 (B) (M Brittain) M Brittain 8-11 ..... P Robinson —
18 (4) GLUCINIUM (D Chear) M McCormack 8-6 ..... M Wigham —
20 (13) 0 JETWAY 15 (Mrs C Reavey) Mrs C Reavey 8-8 ..... G Dickie —
22 (3) 00 NATIONS PET 5 (Nation Wide Racing) R Stubbs 8-6 ..... D Nicholls —
23 (16) PASIN (Mrs M Morley) T Fairhurst 8-6 ..... K Hodgson —
24 (9) RECORD GIRL (M Brittain) M Brittain 8-6 ..... — —
25 (6) SISTER CHERYL (R Somersall) N Tinkler 8-6 ..... — —
26 (10) 0 STUDFORD STEEL 13 (A Fawcett) J Wainwright 8-6 ..... — —
27 (7) 00 THREE RONS 14 (B) (R Hague) Ron Thompson 8-6 ..... R P Elliott —

BETTING: 9-4 Winmoss, 7-2 No Tops, 5-1 Glucinium, 7-1 Studford Steel, 15-2 Ginnys Slipper, 9-1 Nations Pet, 12-1 Jetway, 16-1 others.

1986: HARRY'S COMING 8-6 C Coates (7-4 fav) T Fairhurst 9 ran

3.30 LECONFIELD MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £1,341: 1m 100yd) (19 runners)

1 (15) 00- ACHILL BAY 193 (D McBain) M McCormack 9-0 ..... — —
3 (19) 000-0 BENNETTHORPE 14 (Hippodromo Racing) M W Easterby 9-0 ..... T Lucas 83
5 (3) 0- BRAVE DEFENDER 167 (R Sangster) B Hills 9-0 ..... R Cochrane 91
6 (13) 0 COMEDY RUN 24 (G Allison) N Bycroft 9-0 ..... R Guest —
7 (9) 0040-04 DANADIN 11 (D Norton) Ron Thompson 9-0 ..... R P Elliott 86
9 (2) 0030- FRENCHGATE 220 (Hippodromo Racing) M H Easterby 9-0 ..... M Birch 86
10 (6) 0330- GRECIAN JOS 227 (F Carr) F Carr 9-0 ..... S Morris 88
12 (8) LORD TENDERFOOT (C Ainsworth) C Thornton 9-0 ..... — —
13 (16) 0-0 LOTUS ISLAND 13 (Sir P Oppenheimer) G Wragg 9-0 ..... P Robinson 83
15 (11) MOHAMED ABDU (N Shainan) S Norton 9-0 ..... J Lowe —
16 (18) 000- NIGHT VISITOR 198 (Racegoers Club) M McCormack 9-0 ..... M Wigham 86
17 (7) 0- PANAMA JACK 228 (D MacPherson) P Calver 9-0 ..... M Fry —
18 (12) PERSILLANT (Sir K Butt) M Jarvis 9-0 ..... B Raymond —
21 (14) 0- SHER SHAH 185 (Sheikh Mohammed) H Cecil 9-0 ..... W Ryan ● 99
22 (10) 0- STRAW VALE 168 (B Haggas) M Prescott 9-0 ..... C Nutter 95
26 (17) 0-0 UNCLE WILKO 13 (C Greenall) T Barron 9-0 ..... D Nicholls 71
31 (4) 0000-0 EMSLEYS HEIGHTS 13 (V J Emsley Ltd) T Fairhurst 8-11 ..... K Hodgson 75
32 (5) HURRICANE ROSE (D O'Dell) J Etherington 8-11 ..... — —
33 (1) MERRY ROUND UP (Sheikh Ali Abu Khamsin) J Etherington 8-11 ..... S Webster —

BETTING: 11-8 Sher Shah, 9-4 Brave Defender, 9-2 Straw Vale, 13-2 Night Visitors, 12-1 Grecian Jos, 16-1 Frenchgate, 25-1 others.

1986: PLANET ASH 8-9 G Carter (5-4 fav) A Bailey 16 ran

4.0 HORNSEA MERE HANDICAP (£1,775: 1m 2f) (15 runners)

3 (7) 230004- GOLDEN BEAU 179 (F,G,S) (D Hunnisett) D Morley 5-9-7 ..... R Cochrane 87
4 (15) 0000-00 RAPID LAD 18 (CD,F,G) (S Borsberry) J Spearing 9-9-6 ..... D Nicholls —
5 (3) 41323-0 CHABLISSE 4 (CD,F,G) (E Wilkinson) R Whitaker 4-9-4 ..... — 94
7 (14) 000000- TAXI MAN 183 (F) (Mrs O Steele) Hbt Jones 4-9-0 ..... M Birch 92
10 (11) 0000/00- YOUR CHOICE 685 (F) (J Thole) M Chapman 6-8-11 ..... — —
11 (6) 0000-41 HITCHENSTOWN 9 (S) (Oaklea Bloodstock) T Gallagher 4-8-11 ..... Julie Bowker (7) 91
14 (13) 00003-0 PIT PONY 5 (Mrs H Beattie) H Wharton 3-8-7 ..... A Mercer ● 89
15 (10) 30000-0 KNIGHTLY DIA 18 (

ICE HOCKEY

A Durham victory would be fine spur

By Norman de Mesquita

All roads lead to Wembley this weekend as the famous old arena stages the Heineken championship for the fourth time. Tomorrow's semi-finals see Fife Flyers take on Durham Wasps and Dundee Rockets meet the defending champions, Murrayfield Racers, in a repeat of last year's final.

Advance sales indicate that all three weekend games will be watched by capacity crowds and the BBC television cameras will be there with Sunday's final the centre-piece of their programme.

On such an occasion, more than playing ability comes into the reckoning. If that were the only yardstick, then a Murrayfield-Durham final would be indicated with the Racers favourites to retain their title. But while the Racers do have the advantage of having done it all before, Fife Flyers have Al Sims and Dundee Rockets have Glen Sharpley, two players with a wealth of professional experience in the National Hockey League, and they could prove a great help to the youngsters around them.

On their two previous Wembley appearances, Durham Wasps have failed to do themselves justice, but they are far too good a team to continually end up as also-rans. In addition, a Durham win would be good for the sport, as they rely on imported players to far less an extent than most British clubs.

The North-East has been a hotbed of ice hockey talent for many years, and a Wasps win would be a wonderful incentive for those youngsters waiting in the wings for their chance at senior level.

There is an opportunity to see some of the youngsters in action on Sunday as, once again, the final of the British Junior Championship is being staged as a curtain-raiser to the main event. It features Murrayfield Ravens and Durham Mosquitoes and faces off at 11.30.

If the talent on show is anything like that seen in last year's junior final, it will be worth getting to Wembley early on Sunday.

Germans' error costs them dear

Vienna (Agencies) — The executive council of the International Ice Hockey Federation voted on Wednesday to strip West Germany of their two victories, over Canada and Finland, for using an ineligible player at the world championships. The player, Miroslav Sikora, has been suspended indefinitely. Sikora was born in Poland and represented that country at the 1977 world junior tournament played in Czechoslovakia. He now plays for Cologne and is a West German citizen, having defected in 1978. He had scored a goal in each of the Germans' previous games, and the Finns lodged the protest following their loss.

Scores from both games will now be recorded as 5-0 victories for Canada and Finland. IIHF rules forbid a player from appearing for more than one country in world tournaments during his career.

Otto Wanner, president of the West German Ice Hockey Federation, said: "We have been treated unfairly. But it could have been worse, as we could have been relegated to pool B of the championship."

The West Germans slipped from sixth to seventh as a result of losing the four points they picked up from their two wins.

BOXING

Warren fighting mad as Sibson goes absent without leave

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent

Frank Warren was fighting mad yesterday when his press conference to publicise Tony Sibson's challenge for Brian Anderson's British middleweight title defence was knocked flat by the two boxers. They failed to turn up at the specially-called meeting.

Warren said that both men were bound by their contracts to attend press conferences to promote the show at the Albert Hall on May 20 or May 27, and that he would be referring the matter to the board of control to seek compensation out of the £30,000 purse. John Morris, the board secretary, confirmed Warren's claim and said that the board would take a look into the the matter when the formal complaint was lodged by Warren.

Brendan Ingle, Anderson's manager, said that his boxer had been given just a day's notice and was unable to attend because of his work with the Sheffield recreation department, but Sibson's excuses were not known.

Had he broken down on the motorway? Had he gone down again with the same virus that had prevented him from boxing on Wednesday and dealt a blow to Warren's first Albert Hall show? Or had he clean forgotten and gone out with his wife? "All he has to do is pick up the phone," Warren said. Calls to Sibson's home in Leicester met with no response.

Warren's anger is understandable after the Albert Hall promotion on Wednesday, which he had hoped to make a special affair with three title bouts, dwindled to a single title bout between Britain's Sammy Reesson and Manfred Jassman, of West Germany, for the new European cruiserweight title. Sibson, who was to have met Anderson, withdrew with flu and Lloyd Christie, the British light-welterweight champion, who was to have faced Mo Hussein, the Commonwealth lightweight title holder, dropped out with a foot injury.

Reeson had a comfortable victory, and there was talk yesterday of his challenging for the world title in October. Warren, his manager, was confident that he could bring one of two world champions to Europe, if not Britain: Carlos DeLeon, the World Boxing Council champion, or Ricky Parky, the International Boxing Federation title holder.

Warren has ruled out Evander Holyfield, of the United States, the World Boxing Association champion, as being too strong for Reeson. Holyfield, the Olympic gold medal winner at Los Angeles, is proving that the cruiserweight division is no more the last refuge of old colonels of boxing who are either getting too portly for the light-heavies or too old for the heavies.

It will most likely be Deleon, for not only has he been around longer than the others, but as Reeson has no punch to deter incoming opponents and depends on running, holding and pecking away from a distance, and generally keeping up a high work rate, Warren might think that the 12-round WBC distance could give Reeson a more sporting chance than the 15 rounds of IBF.

Reeson is a thinking boxer and has the presence of mind to stay cool under pressure and clip incoming fighters neatly to the chin with both hands and pile up the points, but his punching repertoire is limited. He will have to put in a lot of road work between now and the big day.

McAuley's ultimate test

By George Ace

Dave McAuley started throwing punches as an eight-year-old in his local amateur boxing club in Larne. Eighteen years on and some 250 bouts later he now faces his ultimate challenge — a world title fight, against Fidel Bassa, in Belfast on Saturday night.

McAuley has spent his working life preparing meals as a chef in the family hotel in Larne, and in the interim he annexed two All Ireland titles at senior level, one junior, and three Ulster senior titles, as well as representing his country in 12 international contests. He turned professional in 1983 — he has still to loose a contest — and in his 13th fight in the paid ranks in Glasgow last October won the British flyweight title stopping Scotland's Joe Kelly in nine rounds.

Bassa, aged 24, from Colombia, the World Boxing Association champion of the eight stone division, , is unbeaten in 17 professional contests which include 13 knock-out wins. He won the WBA title in February with a points win over Hilario Zapate, of Panama.

That his management decided to make a voluntary defence of his recently-won title in Belfast is either an act of supreme confidence in their fighter's ability or a case of where the purse money on offer was such that they could not refuse. Opinion in Belfast is evenly divided on that score although Bassa's work in the Eastwood gymnasium has been particularly impressive.

McAuley: spartan existance

McAuley, managed by Barney Eastwood, the man at the back of Barry McGuigan's rise and fall in the world featherweight division, has led a spartan existence these past six weeks and very much followed the McGuigan routine in fight preparation, being based in the same Bangor guest house.

Eastwood has imported an array of South American sparring partners, and a training advisor to assist Eddie Shaw. McAuley admits to having never trained like it before. "Travelling to hell and back couldn't be any worse than these last six weeks. But if I bring the world flyweight title back to Ireland it will have been a small price to pay," McAuley says.

Eastwood admits that McAuley has never before shared a ring with a boxer of Bassa's class but is quick to add: "Dave has probably the best left hand in the flyweight division; Bassa likes to come forward and that will suit McAuley. If he can tag him with a couple of good shots early on, anything can happen. You can never rule a puncher out of a contest. And McAuley is certainly capable of discouraging Bassa with the power of his left hand punching."

TENNIS

Rickett and Botfield lead the way

Katie Rickett gave a nervous but determined display yesterday to become Britain's last survivor in the women's singles at the Hi Tec hard court tournament at Queen's Club in London.

In a quarter-final match lasting just under two and a half hours, Miss Rickett, aged 18, from Birmingham, defeated another British girl, Leicestershire's Anne Simpkin, 6-7, 6-2, 6-3.

After losing the first set tie-break 12-10, the Birmingham girl hit back immediately. She took the first three games of the second set, dropped the next two, but then won six successive games to take the set and move into a 3-0 lead in the final set.

After extending her lead to 5-1, nerves started to affect her game. Despite that she managed to hold it together when it mattered and ran out a worthy winner.

In the men's singles Stephen Botfield, the British No. 7, also claimed a place in the last four, with a 6-4, 6-7, 6-2 victory over Pieter Aldrich of South Africa. After missing a point to win the second set, the Chingford player recovered in the decider to go through to meet Simon Youl, the top seed from Australia, who beat Britain's Stephen Shaw, 6-3, 6-4.

RESULTS: Men's singles: First round: P Aldrich (SA) bt J Turner, 5-7, 7-6, 6-4. Women's singles: Quarter-finals: I Berger (Isr) bt L Barnard (SA) 6-4, 6-4; S Franki (WG) bt L Vandborg (Den), 6-0, 6-1; N Housset (Fr) bt J Louis (Devon), 6-2, 6-4; K Rickett (Warwicks) bt A Simpkin (Leics), 6-7, 6-2, 6-3. Men's singles: Quarter-finals: S Youl (Aus) bt S Shaw (Middx), 6-3, 6-4; S Botfield (Essex) bt P Aldrich (SA), 6-4, 6-7, 6-2; J Bates (Surrey) bt J Vekemans (Neth), 7-5, 6-2; T Theine (WG) bt T Tunner (Austria), 6-2, 3-6, 6-1.

ATHLETICS: ARUNDEL MILKMAN UNDER STARTER'S ORDERS

A runner with the village on his mind

By David Powell

A day at the races is not what it used to be for Paul Pritchard, one time stable lad and apprentice jockey. The saddle and stirrups have been swapped for tracksuit and trainers and now, when he comes under starter's orders, he is his own master of achievement. Besides, there is no room for horses in the Mars London Marathon. Not real ones, anyway.

There will be the usual mix of jugglers, wheelchairs and pantomime horses when the seventh London Marathon takes place on May 10. New, however, will be the participation of Arundel's fastest milkman, courtesy of *The Times*/Tandem Computers competition to find fund runners.

"When I was told I was in I thought it was a practical joke," said Pritchard, whose application for entry in each of the past four years had been rejected. But he will not be dressing up in gold tops. Here lies a serious attempt to maintain an average marathon time around three hours and raise a hefty slice of the £25,000 cake needed for roof repairs by Oxshott Village Centre.

Oxshott, Surrey, is some way from Arundel but has the advantage of having, at the reins of fund-raising, Pam Bishop, secretary to John Dunlop's racing stables in Arundel. That was where some 20 years ago, in the days when the late Willie Smythe was trainer, young Pritchard was apprentice jockey and subsequently stable lad to Mount Athos in the summer he was third to Sir Ivor in the Derby.

"I used to ride Mount Athos all his exercise in those days," Pritchard recalls. "But I got out because the money was not good enough." The nine-stone jockey grew into an 11-stone milkman; hence the decision, four years ago, to become a marathon runner. "I had got into a rut and put on weight, so I started running." Within three months Pritchard had clocked 3hr 24min in the Worthing Marathon. "Once I had done Worthing, that was it. I was bitten by the bug."

No one is placing any bets on Pritchard winning the London Marathon, but at least the doctors' surgery in the Oxshott Village Centre will soon be safe from telephones cut off by the leaking roof. That is provided, of course, there are people like Pritchard prepared to push the body through the pain barrier to help save the suffering of others.

An astute punter who numbers Dancing Brave in the Arc de Triomphe and the Arundel horse, Moon Madness, in the St Leger, among his recent profitable flutters, Pritchard, aged 42, now finds his own name on the race card. So how much will he make if he gets to the finish? With the coyness of someone who knows she is on to a good thing, Pam Bishop replies: "I don't think I'll tell him how much is riding on him — it might worry him."

Pritchard: under orders (Photograph: John Williams)

BOWLS

Biggs back in the last eight

By Gordon Allan

Mel Biggs, runner-up to Richard Roylands in the first Lombard Champion of Champions event in 1983, reappears in the last eight at Wellingborough today when he plays Roy Cutts, the 1986 English indoor (EIBA) champion.

Wynne Richards and Tom Buller, both of whom have won the outdoor (EBA) title, could meet in the semi-finals.

Richards plays Brian Howes, a beaten finalist twice in the EIBA singles, and Buller plays Bryan Lee.

The youngest competitor, Stuart Maxted, 21, has been drawn against Ron Gass, a Scot who reached the EBA final two years ago.

DRAW: R Cutts (Ipswich) v M Biggs (Thamesdown); R Gass (Cumbria) v S Maxted (Temple); B Howes (Norfolk and Norwich) v W Richards (Cambridge Park); T Buller (Stanley) v B Lee (Torbay).

RUGBY LEAGUE

Relegation may spark changes at Oldham

By Keith Macklin

Oldham's board of directors may resign in the wake of their club's relegation to the second division. With Hull's defeat of Widnes on Wednesday night, a victory which moved them above Oldham, the Watersheddings side went from premiership hopefuls to relegation in a matter of weeks.

Harvey Ashworth, the club chairman, and his fellow-directors are disgruntled that they have received little help from the local authority towards the extensive costs for safety repairs to their ground, and relegation could prove the final straw which forces the board to call it a day. The coach, Frank Myler, has already resigned.

● An appeal fund has been launched for David O'Connor, the Great Britain player who dislocated his neck in the recent amateur international against France, by the Leeds and District Amateur Rugby League and the Yew Tree Club. O'Connor, who is paralysed, is still in hospital in Lyon.

● Bramley, of the second division, are to advertise for a coach or player-coach to succeed Allan Agar, who has resigned after guiding the Leeds club into the premiership play-offs.

Agar, who took Featherstone to a Challenge Cup victory at Wembley in 1983, parted an amicable terms. Jeff Wine, the chairman, said: "I don't know whether he is planning to join a bigger club, but we hope he may yet take us to the premiership final at Old Trafford."

Austin rover

Salford Rugby League Club's Australian utility back, Greg Austin, yesterday joined the Sydney club, Manley, for the summer. He will return in September.

YACHTING

Evans has the final say over sailboard

By Barry Pickthall

The controversy surrounding the choice of sailboard for next year's Olympic Games appears to have been finally resolved. This follows the intervention last week by Mike Evans, the new director general of the International Yacht Racing Union, who successfully negotiated both a significant reduction in price, and delivery of the first boards in time for the French Pre-Olympic Regatta at Hyeres starting tomorrow.

Last November, the Scandinavian-designed Davidson Division 2 board, which had won the backing of the IYRU's boardsailing committee, looked the certain choice, but the Swedish builder was outmanoeuvred after the ink had dried on the contract signed with the IYRU.

Victory went to high-powered politics and the promises of a European consortium led by Eckhardt Wagner, the West German head of North Sails Inc, whose strong friendship with fellow Star boat sailors on the all-important IYRU executive committee, many believe, swung the decision their way.

One of the principal reasons given by the IYRU for their abrupt change of heart was the greater production capacity of the Austrian-based sailboard builder. But when the first batch of Lechner production boards failed to materialize "early in the New Year" as promised, or in March, Wagner and his consortium were roundly accused of conning the IYRU into awarding them this lucrative contract.

Evans, Britain's former Olympic sailing team manager and the new man at the IYRU helm, charged with sorting out the mess, travelled to Austria last week. He not only negotiated a £300 reduction in price on the £1,700 cost of the Olympic board, but won the promise that the first 30 boards — three of which are destined for Britain's leading board sailors Barry Edgington, William Banham and Simon Goody — would be delivered in time for the pre-Olympic Regatta at Hyeres.

"I'm now satisfied that these Olympic boards are built to a very high standard and that the choice of design will satisfy the rest of the world — except perhaps Davidson," Evans said ruefully in Lausanne yesterday, where he is reporting the outcome of this controversy to the International Olympic Committee.

Childerley seeks fifth in a row

If the French Regatta at Hyeres is to provide an acid test for the Lechner board, it will also provide a strong pointer towards Britain's medal-winning prospects at the Korean Games next year.

Among those expected to shine is the Flying Dutchman bronze medalist Jo Richards. Having spent the past four weeks rebuilding his Tornado catamaran after it was "written off" in a gale, he was buoyed up at Easter with a victory over the world champion Rob White, who is still suffering the effects of a lung infection.

Expectations are also strong in the Finn class with Stewart Childerley, who has beaten all the best European single-handers this year, and is out to win his fifth international regatta in a row — with a day to spare.

For John Turner, victor in the Flying Dutchman Regatta at Palamos at the tail-end of last season, Hyeres presents his first major test since a cartilege operation last month. In the 470 class, Mike Holmes and Ossie Stewart are out to repeat the winning form they showed at this regatta in the build-up to the 1983 Games. So is America's Cup helmsman Chris Law, who has teamed up with his old Soling crew to better their fourth place gained at the 1984 Games held off Long Beach, California.

However, final nomination for the British place in this keelboat class at the 1988 Olympics is likely to be hard fought, with 12-metre arch-rival Phil Crebbin also throwing his hat in the ring next week — watch this space for results of this particular grudge match!

Branson attracted by America's Cup

News this week that Richard Branson's Virgin group are assessing Plymouth as their base for a proposed £10 million America's Cup challenge brings to four the number of independent British syndicates hoping to bring the Cup back to these shores in 1990. Peter de Savary has earmarked a site in Falmouth for his five-boat £10 million challenge; Graham Walker's existing White Horse sponsored syndicate is basing itself at Hamble; and Warwick Collins is still hopeful of attracting funds for his group formed around the Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

However, with Dennis Conner planning to outspend each syndicate by four to one for his next defence campaign, is there no one in Britain with the strength of character to knock heads — and budgets — together to form one cohesive effort?

Jeantot pulls back to second place

Philippe Jeantot, the French solo sailor heading for his second successive BOC round-the-world race victory, pulled back to second place yesterday, 90 miles behind the final stage leader Titouan Lamazou, after putting into Recife last weekend to repair damaged rigging on his 60-foot yacht Credit Agricole.

These two are now within 2,000 miles of the Newport finish and are expected to smash the previous stage record by seven days.

CYCLING

Watson commutes to overcome his rivals

Paul Watson, the Milton Keynes professional cyclist who commutes regularly between Britain and the Continent, is being flown home from mainland Europe on Saturday to compete in Sunday's Race To The Point in his home town.

Watson, aged 24, from Hertfordshire, finished sixth in the classic Flèche Wallonne road race in Belgium on April 16, an outstanding performance which saw Europe's best left trailing in his wake. He is still recovering from the physical demands of that race and the mental acceptance that he, virtually a neophyte professional, could more than hold his own with riders he had regarded as the giants of the road.

This week, after an Easter racing programme in Britain, when be was fourth at Harrogate and eighth at Donington, the lightweight Watson returned to the Continent yesterday for another of the season's classics, the Amstel Gold, at Maastricht on Saturday.

Watson has no winning aspirations in the tough 150-mile Amstel race, acknowledging that he is not yet in that class, although in no way detracting from his memorable performance in the Flèche. Even with the prospect of his home terrain on Sunday at Milton Keynes he recognizes the lottery of bike racing. "You can be going like a train but miss the vital break and find that either you have a team mate in the front bunch or that other teams are fighting to keep you from escaping."

● Laurence Roche, aged 19, the younger brother of Stephen, has been selected for Ireland's Milk Race team. Laurence, from Dublin, made his mark by leading the Ras Tailteann stage race for two days last season. The experienced Irish team includes Philip Cassidy, who competed at Los Angeles Olympics and France-based riders Aidan Harrison and Michael Kinsella. The Irish team manager is Peter Doyle.

REAL TENNIS

Barabe causes upset

By William Stephens

Danielle Barabe from France, wife of the deputy professional at the Jeux de Paume of Bordeaux, caused the first upset in the George Wimpey women's world championship at Seacourt, Hayling Island yesterday when she eliminated Helen Mursell from Australia.

Miss Mursell played a robust game but was out-gunned by Mrs Barabe who excelled in forceful shots, particularly on the volley. At 5-5 in the final set, Miss Mursell gained match point twice during a long game, only to succumb to her opponent's greater strength.

RESULTS: Third qualifying round: (GB unless stated): S Macintosh bt B Bidouza (Fr) 6-3, 6-1. Main competition, first round: D Barabe (Fr) bt H Mursell (Aus), 4-6, 6-2, 6-5; K Allen bt R Lake 6-0, 6-0; L Ronaldson bt E Woodthorpe 6-4, 6-2; A Warren-Piper bt C Armstrong-Smith 6-0, 6-1. Doubles, first round: P Wilson and E David (US) bt F Syson and L Tennant 6-1, 3-6, 6-4; P Danby and V Dawes bt J Triggs and K Dunkley 6-1, 6-0. Second round: P Fellows and M Meisl bt J Gardener and J Page 6-0, 6-0; J Howell (Aus) and D Barabe (Fr) bt R Lake and D Cotton 6-2, 2-6, 6-1; S Macintosh and F Macintosh bt M Lissat (Fr) and B Bidouza (Fr) 6-2, 6-0; Wilson and David bt V Mason and J Mason 6-1, 6-0; Danby and Dawes bt L Barnfield and E Ryan 6-0, 6-2; L Pignon and J Drewitt (Aus) bt I Tufnell and J Vickers 6-1, 6-3; J Vaughan and S Newsom bt W Farrington and H Joiner 6-1, 6-2; K Toates (Aus) and C Armstrong-Smith bt G Hennell and T Smith 6-2, 6-1.

RUGBY UNION: ORGANIZERS' LOW KEY APPROACH AS SPONSORSHIP PROVES ELUSIVE DOWN UNDER

World Cup in need of hype

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Ironically, in view of the lack of initial enthusiasm in Britain for the project, public awareness of the forthcoming World Cup is probably greater among the four home countries than it is in the host countries, New Zealand and Australia. The impression given by the BBC's *Sportsnight* programme, shown on Wednesday, suggested as much, though that may be misleading as a major advertising campaign gets under way this week in New Zealand.

A combination of circumstances accounts for this. They have not been short of sport "Down Under" during their summer; the America's Cup proved a strong focal point for both nations, as has international cricket, with England touring Australia and the West Indies and Pakistan in New Zealand.

Generating interest in an inaugural event, for which sponsors have not been easy to pin down, during Rugby Union's closed season will not have been easy against live competition. Malcolm Beattie, representing the marketing agents, West Nally, admitted that their public relations exercise should have started six to nine months ago, during the New Zealand and Australian domestic seasons.

Added to which Jim Campbell, the World Cup tournament executive director, is obviously a man for the low-key approach. 'We think a lot of the hype that surrounds some sporting events is a bit infra dig," he said. "Rugby is not a game in which we expect to have a lot of cheap PR tricks."

The tournament organisers expect interest to accumulate over the next four weeks, fuelled by advertising in the leading newspapers, regular radio reports and television (the Broadcasting Corporation of New Zealand intends to offer 90 hours of coverage, with all but one match going out live), though there may yet be overestimates of the numbers of overseas visitors. Nor will overseas visitors necessarily get the best seats for the final — one British travel firm has been given 115 top-price tickets and had to fight for those, with the remainder of its 235 Final tickets not necessarily under cover.

In the northern hemisphere there has been no shortage of media attention for the tournament itself, since the Five Nations Championship matches have all contributed towards preparation for the World Cup. But with administrative detail having emerged so slowly, potential supporters may have been discouraged. Beattie tacitly acknowledged this when he said: "The joint organizing committee are budgeting for a profit and hopefully we will be able to deliver it to them. But I would not like to be quoted on what that profit might be at this stage."

In the meantime, the leading Australasian players are contesting the South Pacific Cup for their respective provinces. New South Wales play Fiji in Suva tomorrow and Queensland meet Auckland on Sunday. Australia's national squad will be chosen after the Queensland — NSW match in Brisbane on May 10, from which the XV to play South Korea, also at Ballymore on May 17, will be chosen.

New Zealand have a series of divisional games, between North, Central and South zones, before their final trial and squad selection on May 9, eight days before the official opening of the World Cup in Auckland.

Lessons other sports can teach rugby men

By Gerald Davies

Any one sport can learn a good deal from another. For a rugby player to appreciate space and movement in support, he need only play a little football now and again; to get fluently to grips with handling the ball there is no surer way than to play basketball, as the French do and they have clearly demonstrated the benefits.

To understand the role of an individual player within a team and the delicate interdependence of the one on the other, of the need of the team to recognize a particular eccentric talent as much as he must respond to the demands of the team, there could be no better classroom than a cricket dressing room.

And so, in a sense, when the yawning gap was first made apparent between the rugby played in the southern and that in the northern hemisphere, the difference diagnosed was the difference in fitness and athleticism, and the authorities trawled for the expertise of famous men from the world of track and field.

The RFU went for Tom McNab, the WRU for Lynn Davies, both with experience of the Olympian heights as coach and performer. So very close to the fine edges of peak performance, with nothing loose to spare, athletics men know a thing or two about fine tuning.

With coaching so much an Aunt Sally in rugby football, the surprise should not be that such invitations should ever go to such distinguished men from outside the game, but that they had taken so long in coming. Coaching is not bad for the game, as some diehards would have it, but so much that is bad goes masquerading under the name.

There was, for instance, a presumption a few years ago, when it was rugby technique that needed emphasis, that a coach did not need to know much about fitness. Another specialist, so the argument went, could get on with that within the club. The imminence of the World Cup, it would seem, made sure that that particular headless chicken came home to roost.

Fitness suddenly became the panacea for rugby's presentills. There was never such talk when the Lions went overseas. Certainly no one had bothered to raise the matter before, during, or after the Five Nations championship. The World Cup, viewed from a different angle, suggested that second-best hitherto had always been acceptable. To call on McNab and Davies smacks of expediency.

The top players, in the very short term, will have had expert advice, but who knows to what end? If the World Cup is here today, what of tomorrow? If McNab and Davies's ideas are thought to be worthwhile now, how will their ideas filter down to the players of the future? The knowledge needs to be imparted to those at levels other than those which cater for the present élite.

There is so little thought that goes into rugby coaching to explain the whys and the wherefores. "Last year," Davies said, "I had been asked to take a group of youth players on behalf of the WRU. While demonstrating running techniques and sprinting to them, one young player, a forward, turned to me and said: 'Why should I learn all this? I am a lock, and I don't have to run as fast as this in a match. I need only trot from one scrum to the next.' I had to explain to him about the need to be fit because, up until then, nobody had."

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated

Today League

Fourth division

Colchester v Swansea
Hartlepool v Tranmere (6.45)
Southend v Wolverhampton (7.45)

FESTIVAL: English Schools FA (at Skegness).

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCH: Penzance-Newlyn v Ebbw Vale.

CRICKET

11.30-6.30

LORD'S: MCC v Essex.
THE PARKS: Oxford University v Kent.
PENNER'S: Cambridge University v Lancashire.

OTHER SPORT

BASKETBALL: England v Ireland (women) (at Northampton).
CANOEING: National junior racing regatta (at Holme Pierrepont).
REAL TENNIS: Women's world championship (at Seacourt).
SHOOTING: British open universal trench Grand Prix (at Haverfordwest).
SNOOKER: Embassy world professional championship (at Sheffield).
SPEEDWAY: League Cup: Hackney v Sheffield; Oxford v Wolverhampton. National League: Edinburgh v Mildenhall (7.15). World championships: Qualifying rounds: (at Peterborough).
TENNIS: Hi-Tec tournament (at Queen's Club, West Kensington); Prudential 16-and-under championships (at Bournemouth); Pine Grove national rating tournament (at Sheffield, 10.0).
VOLLEYBALL: England v Canada (women) (at Portsmouth, 8.0).

SPORT ON TV

BMX Beat: Three-in-One Oil UK Television championships. ITV: 11.05am.
RACING: 2.35, 3.05, 3.40 and 4.10 races from Sandown Park. C4: 2.30pm
SNOOKER: Embassy world professional championship, Sheffield. BBC2: 10.25am, 9.0 (not all regions) and 11.10pm.

FOOTBALL: WITH THE SEASON DRAWING TO A CLOSE IT IS TIME TO CONSIDER THE PAINS AND PERILS OF THE PLAY-OFFS

Penalties may settle a club's fate

By Our Sports Staff

"Imagine completing the Grand National and then being told they have added on another six extra fences.The fellow who had just won the race could fall at the next fence – would that be fair?"

That is how the Leicester City chief executive, Gordon Milne, feels about this season's League play-offs, which are looming ever closer for the more ambitious, and more desperate football clubs. Such a fate could be in store for Leicester, currently fourth from bottom in the first division, or Oxford United, the side directly above them.

Fate, indeed, has already conspired to pair the two together on the final day of the season when Leicester visit the Manor ground on May 9. Yet depending how results go between now and then, either club could win on the day and still find themselves involved in the relegation play-offs.

"To my mind after playing 42 games you should either have won something or lost it. All the play-offs will do is create a lot of extra pressure which is not always good for the game,"says Milne.

In addition to maintaining extra interest at such a late stage of the season, the play-offs were hit upon as one way of slimming down the League over the next two years. But the scheme has not been received with unanimous acclaim.Even managers not opposed in principle to play-offs take issue with the way the Football League has organized them.

According to Lennie Lawrence, manager of struggling first division Charlton Athletic, they are "ill-conceived and badly thought out."Lawrence questions the argument that the play-offs are designed to reduce the number of games in the first division. "If that is the case, then why are we playing 'Mickey Mouse' games like the Full Members' cup? And if teams at the bottom of division one have to play off, why not those at the top as well?

"The reason, quite simply, is that the top teams will not have it,"he said.

Oxford, as secretary Jim Hunt points out, were against play-offs from the outset, being one of the two clubs at the original meeting – Nottingham Forest were the other – to veto the initial proposal.

"You only have to look at what could happen to Oldham to see how illogical the system could be," said Hunt. "They could finish up in third place in the second division, ten points ahead of the club in fifth spot and still miss out on promotion by being beaten in the play-offs.

"For many clubs in the first division they simply can't afford to lose the revenue next season from two matches. It's not a case of sour grapes on our part just because we could be one of the clubs involved in the play-offs. We've been against them all along so there is no justification in anyone suggesting we are whining just because we are down there."

Joe Royle, the Oldham manager, admits he would be "heartbroken" if his side were to miss out on promotion because of the introduction of the system.

"We have waited a very long time to win the right to play at the top level, but these play-offs will be very tense, like mini cup finals."

Phil Neal, Bolton player-manager, agrees with the general complaint. "It's like saying to Coventry City and Leeds United after the FA Cup semi-final – 'Hold on a minute,it is really the best of three'." Yet, ironically, his side could stand to benefit from the new system.

Should they finish 21st in the third division, they will earn another chance to maintain their status, whereas last season the same position would have meant immediate relegation.

The Notts County manager, Jimmy Sirrel, has been one of the most outspoken critics of the play-offs – and his views remain the same even though his third division side could well gain from them.

"Why should the team finishing third have to play off any more than those finishing first and second?"On the other hand, the play-offs have given an extra incentive to teams like Crystal Palace and Ipswich Town in division two and Wolverhampton Wanderers in division four.

GORDON MILNE (chief executive, Leicester City): "I think we've got it wrong. If someone puts all his efforts into the last couple of rounds and does the business he should not be asked to go on and win the fight again. It would have been better for four clubs to go down with only two coming up."

JOE ROYLE (manager of Oldham): "I will not say that I welcomed the introduction of this system, but I don't think it is a bad idea. If we finish third and then miss out I will obviously be bitterly upset, to play 42 games and then have your future decided by additional matches."

PHIL NEAL (manager of Bolton): "To have your place decided possibly on penalties is ridiculous. The play-offs will put incredible pressure not only on players but on referees with so much at stake. People say the play-offs will inject extra revenue. But surely we have enough competitions."

JIMMY SIRRELL (manager of Notts County): "If my team finished third in the League, I would say, 'Forget an extra two good gates at the end of the season – I'll take 21 better attendances in a higher division.' Our season consists of 46 games. At the end you should know your position."

HOW IT WORKS

The play-offs were established as part of the restructuring of the League which will eventually leave the first division with 20 clubs and the second division with 24 (the same number as the third and fourth divisions).

The process will take two seasons, with the first division having 21 clubs next season. This will be achieved by relegating an additional club at the end of this season, but only two will be directly promoted.

The third-placed club, previously automatically promoted, will have to beat the clubs finishing fourth and fifth in the second division and nineteenth in the first division in the play-offs to enter the first division. A similar process will operate in the lower divisions.

FIRST AND SECOND DIVISIONS: Bottom three down; top two up. Play-offs: nineteenth in first division v fifth in second division; third in second division v fourth in second division. Two winners play for place in first division.

■ SECOND AND THIRD DIVISIONS: Bottom two down; top two up. Play-offs: 20th in Div II v 5th in Div ; 3rd in Div III v 4th in Div III. Two winners play for place in Div II.

■ THIRD AND FOURTH DIVISIONS: Bottom three down; top three up. Play-offs: 21st in third division v sixth in fourth division; fourth in fourth division v fifth in fourth division.

For the two-legged first stage matches, the team finishing higher in the League will have home advantage in the second leg. The matches will be played on Thursday, May 14, and Sunday, May 17. Extra-time, away-goals and finally penalties will be used, if necessary, to determine the winner. There will be no replays.

The final will be on Friday, May 22, and Monday, May 25. Home advantage will be decided by the toss of a coin. If aggregate scores are level at the end of regulation time there will be a replay, on Friday, May 29. If the sides are still level after 90, minutes there will be extra time, then penalties.

League title to provide some solace for Real

By David Miller

The 4-2 aggregate defeat by Bayern Munich in the European Cup semi-finals has intensified the pressure upon Leo Beenhakker, Real Madrid's Dutch manager, to retain the one point lead over Barcelona and win the play-offs for the Spanish title. The final match is against Terry Venables's team in the Nou Camp on May 24, three days before Bayern meet Porto in the European final.

Beenhakker, who has another year's contract with Real, revealed beforehand that his greatest ambition is to become the first foreign manager in England – but that he believes there is little benefit in buying English players for European clubs. More of that in a moment.

"We played badly. Bayern were excellent, and Pfaff in their goal was brilliant. It's as simple as that," Beenhakker said afterwards without complaint as he congratulated Hoeness, Nachtweih and the rest of the Bayern team which had survived for an hour, with flawless organization, with only 10 men.

Augenthaler, Bayern's captain who had been the outstanding defender – and attacker – in the first leg, was remorseful afterwards that he will miss the final, but, as does his manager Udo Lattek, accepts that there was ground for sending him off. The protest is that Sanchez of Real should have gone with him.

Following a tackle by Augenthaler, Sanchez had kicked him in the groin. Augenthaler then cuffing him insignificantly on the back of the head. Vautrot, the French referee, had followed the ball, by then 20 yards away; the linesman, Bernardo, had seen Augenthaler's foul but, seemingly, not the one, far worse, by Sanchez, who grossly overdramatized the blow.

From then on, Nachtweih switched with aplomb to occupy Augenthaler's position of sweeper. Eder, Brehme and the others created a wall across the penalty area which Real rarely punctured and Pfaff made stupendous saves from Gordillo, just before half-time, and from Pardeza 20 minutes from the end.

But Bayern, now in their fifth final, should overcome the defensive Porto in Vienna, but Augenthaler's absence will seriously lessen their tactical breadth. Lunde, their young Dane on the left-wing, gave an exhilarating performance and is a man to watch for the future. He speaks the European language of football, which Beenhakker considers the English are largely lacking.

"It's my dream to work in England," he says, "because I like the mentality, the attitude of English players. Psychologically, they are so much less complicated than, say, Dutch or Spanish players. Half an hour before a match you just say 'Let's go, boys' and you know they will respond, though I don't always like their football."

In recent weeks Real's scouting staff have been watching Clive Allen, Smith of Leicester and Davenport of Manchester United but the reports are always the same: that to sign an English player would mean adapting the rest of the Real team. "And that's an impossible suggestion" Beenhakker says, though admitting he admires Allen.

Home in triumph: Dundee United's scorers, Iain Ferguson (left) Ian Redford and Jim McLean, manager (Photo: Tom Kidd)

The spirit that binds McLean's men

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

Nothing should detract from the glorious achievement of Dundee United, the first Scottish club to reach the final of the UEFA Cup. Yet Jim McLean, their shrewd manager, and his side would admit that they are not blessed with lavish talents. He and they merely make the best of them.

Throughout the conversations that followed their unlikely triumph against Borussia Mönchengladbach on Wednesday night, one word became a recurring echo. From Jupp Heynckes to Tony Woodcock, everyone agreed that, whereas the West Germans showed no "fight", United displayed an abundance of it. The spirit on view was all Scotch.

Heynckes, Borussia's manager who is to take charge of Bayern Munich, the European Cup finalists, next season, was consumed with disappointment. "To think that is the nearest those players may ever get to a continental final and to discover they didn't have the fight for it," he said.

Woodcock, a resident of Cologne once more, was not surprised. "Borussia can be brilliant and then can be awful. They don't have much character. But over here that is not unusual. You can be on the attack, look round and find that your colleagues are nowhere to be seen."

He was particularly impressed, at his first sight of the Scots, by their willingness to work tirelessly for each other. United, in quietly applying a tourniquet around Borussia and Barcelona in the quarter-final before them, at times resembled in tactical organization and defensive composure the Liverpool of old.

McLean must take substantial credit for that. In suggesting that the West Germans were "not the best fighters in the world", he had indicated that Kirkwood, a specialist marker, would be employed to restrict their most dangerous individual, Rahn, and thus help collectively to dishearten them.

But Kirkwood was used as a right back. McInally, a bright creative influence against Barcelona, was instead the guard instructed to imprison Rahn. His role was to become crucial as United protected their advantage after the interval. "I didn't allow him a kick," he claimed justifiably.

McInally might now have been preparing for the FA Cup Final. Had he sold his house near Nottingham, soon after his transfer from Forest, he might have stayed with Coventry City. But the daily round trip of 100 miles depressed him and he asked for a move.

Coventry granted his request, provided they received the £80,000 he had cost them. United agreed to pay the sum and McInally has since regained his place in the national squad. "I am delighted for Coventry," he commented, "but I wouldn't want to swap the position I'm in now with United."

He pointed out that for the first time in the competition they will be away in the first leg, against Göteborg on May 6. "They must be a good side to get this far," he added, "but for a change we will know exactly what we have to do at home."

McLean, who has lifted his side into the Scottish Cup Final as well, will profit if not personally then to the benefit of his club. Their success has promoted him into the position of being the popular favourite to takeover as Scotland's manager, a job he has already rejected.

But McLean, with the proceeds of the domestic and foreign cup runs as well as of the sale of Gough, has more than £1 million to spend on improving his squad. United could soon be regarded as significantly more than a side that has comparatively limited gifts but is rich in collective determination.

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

EUROPEAN CUP: Semi-finals, second leg: Real Madrid 1, Bayern Munich 0 (Bayern win 4-2 on aggregate); Dinamo Kiev 1, Porto 2 (Porto win 4-2 on aggregate).

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS' CUP: Semi-finals, second leg: Ajax 3, Zaragoza 0 (Ajax win 6-2 on aggregate); Lokomotiv Leipzig 0, Bordeaux 1 (aet, aggregate 1-1; Leipzig win 6-5 on penalties).

UEFA CUP: Semi-finals, second leg: Borussia Mönchengladbach 0, Dundee United 2 (Dundee United win 2-0 on aggregate); Swarovski Tirol 0, Goteborg 1 (Goteborg win 5-1 on aggregate).

WELSH CUP: Semi-final, second leg: Wrexham 2, Newport 2 (Newport win 4-3 on aggregate).

FIRST DIVISION: Southampton 1, Sheffield Wednesday 1, Wimbledon 2, Tottenham 2.

SECOND DIVISION: Reading 2, Leeds 1.

THIRD DIVISION: Bristol City 2, Gillingham 0; Bristol Rovers 4, Carlisle 0; Doncaster 1, Wigan 1; Swindon 1, Darlington 0; Walsall 1, Chester 0.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Blackburn 1, Manchester United 0; Everton 1, Sheffield Wednesday 2. Second division: Rotherham 2, West Bromwich Albion 0; Scunthorpe United 1, Preston North End 2; York City 0, Blackpool 1.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Brighton 0, Chelsea 3; Fulham 5, Crystal Palace 2; Norwich City 2, Millwall 1; Bristol Rovers 0, Ipswich Town 2.

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Altrincham 1, Frickley 1; Kidderminster 1, Boston 2.

MULTIPART LEAGUE: Southport 3, Gainsborough 2; Oswestry 2, Mossley 1; Matlock 1, Bangor City 1.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Aylesbury 0, Shepshed 1; Cambridge City 1, Fareham 1; Dartford 3, Corby 3; King's Lynn 2, Crawley 1; Redditch 0, Chelmsford 1. Midland division: Halesowen 2, Bilston 0; Leicester United 2, Stourbridge 0; Merthyr Tydfil 6, Coventry Sporting 1.

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: First division: Leatherhead 0, Wembley 1; Leytonstone/Ilford 3, Tilbury 0. Second division north: Collier Row 4, Barton 0.

HERTFORDSHIRE SENIOR CUP: Final: Bishop's Stortford 2, Letchworth GC 0 (at Hitchin).

HALLS BREWERY HELLENIC LEAGUE: Premier division: Abingdon Town 1, Abingdon United 3; Pegasus 1, Yate 1; Penhill 0, Sharpness 1; Rayners Lane 1, Hounslow 2; Wantage 2, Moreton 3.

LONDON SPARTAN LEAGUE: Royal Arsenal 0, Thamesmead 1.

SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE: First division: Eastbourne Town 0, Hailsham Town 0; Portfield 2, Arundel 3.

RACING

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Pontefract

5.15 (1m) 1. FAIRFURR (B Thomson, 11-4); 2. Rose Reef (T Ives, 6-4 fav); 3. Fearless Man (R Cochrane, 7-2). ALSO RAN: 10 Laichali (4th), 16 Roof Ghost, 20 Locherre, 25 Bradman, 50 Fairtown, Glo Noble (5th). What's The Matter, 66 Dalby Dancer, Magic Mover. 200 PPS Little Secret. 13 ran. 6l, 1l, 4l, 8l, nk. P Walwyn at Lambourn. Tote: £4.00; £1.40, £1.10, £1.40. DF: £3.80. CSF: £5.97.

5.45 (1m) 1. SANAMAR (M Hills, 7-1); 2, Russian Affair (M Roberts, 16-1); 3, Doodlin (B Thomson, 20-1). ALSO: 5-6 fav Officer Krupke (4th), 3 Fa, 14 Aka-Bua (6th), 16 Hall Critique (5th), Undershaft, 25 Sunway Park, 33 Navos, 100 My Inspiration. 11 ran. NR: Candy Man. ½l, 1½l, 1½l, 2½l, ½l. J Hills at Lambourn. Tote: £12.30; £2.30, £3.00p, £4.90. DF: £77.30. CSF: £104.64.

Placepot: £10.85

Cheltenham

5.30 (2m flat) 1. REAL CLASS (Mr T Thomson Jones, 100-30 fav); 2, Irish General (Miss V Williams, 9-1); 3, Uncles Choice (Miss L Wallace, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 4 Impeccable Timing, 9-2 Firmitar, 10 Unique New York, Sister-in-Law, 11 Arctic Rymes, 16 Mundy Star (6th), 20 Farmers Conquest, Mighty Sharp (5th), 33 Admitted, Beau d'Orlean, Sam Lyles, Silkan (4th), Jolly Girl, Arenisco, Dual Combat, Wild Palace, Trematon. 20 ran. NR: Beau Charlecote, Farewell To Alms, Grogan, Laura's Star, Crackit, Grey Whiskers, Kingswood Girl. nk, 1½l, 1½l, 1l, 5l. D Murray Smith at Upper Lambourn. Tote: £3.40; £1.90, £2.60, £7.70. DF: £7.50. CSF: £30.21.

6.0 (2m flat) 1. THE RAPIDS (M Bowlby, 4-1 fav); 2, Bonanza Rebel (L Wright, 9-1); 3, Woodlands Genpower (P Harley, 25-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Miss You (pu), 6 Molinello (4th), 8 Go Motorplan, 10 Lepus, 14 Danes Dilemma, Gale Signal, 20 Montalino, 25 Abbey Saga, Dunarunna, Gambling Nat (su), Grenagh (6th), Little Bryma, St Tymog, Vi's Delight, PSP Spirit, Woodscent, Arinaiben, Chance Again, Elmley Gayle, Smartie Express (5th). 23 ran.NR: Pals Galore, Master Muck, Clova Bud, Sols Jokes. 4l, 4l, nk, nk, ½l. N Henderson at Lambourn. Tote: £3.30; £1.90, £3.70, £7.60. DF: £18.50. CSF: £35.21.

Placepot: £297.55

● Willie Jarvis, the Newmarket trainer, sent out his fifth winner from less than a dozen runners this season when Imperial King won the Tote Placepot Maiden Auction Stakes at Pontefract yesterday.

FOR THE RECORD

BASKETBALL

SALONICA: Greek championship: Aris Salonica 129, Panionios Athens 81.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: New York Yankees 4, Detroit Tigers 1, Boston Red Sox 1, Kansas City Royals 0, Toronto Blue Jays 6, Cleveland Indians 3, Seattle Mariners 4, Minnesota Twins 3, 10-Baltimore Orioles 3, Texas Rangers 2, Oakland A's 7, California Angels 6, Milwaukee Brewers at Chicago White Sox rained out.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: New York Mets 8, Pittsburgh Pirates 5, Houston Astros 6, Atlanta Braves 0, Chicago Cubs 5, St Louis Cardinals 4, San Diego Padres 5, Cincinnati Reds 3, Montreal Expos 7, Philadelphia Phillies 3, Los Angeles Dodgers 5, San Francisco Giants 3.

BOWLS

WYMONDHAM: CIS Insurance mixed pairs international: Quarter-finals: A Allcock (Cotswold) and Mrs N Shaw (Teesside) bt Mrs L Smith and P Sabberton (Norfolk and Norwich), 7-1, 1-7, 7-2; Mrs S Franklin (Wisbech) and R Cutts (Ipswich) bt Mrs W Line and P Line (Atherley, Southampton), 6-3, 6-4; Mrs C Webb and D Ward (N Walsham) bt Mrs J Measures and J McConnell (Bedford), 7-4, 7-3. Mrs J Roylance (North Walsham) and D Bryant (Clevedon) bt Mrs S Franklin (Wisbech) and R Cutts (Ipswich), 7-0, 7-2; A Allcock (Cotswold Stroud) and Mrs N Shaw (Teesside) bt Mrs C Webb and D Ward (North Walsham), 7-3, 7-4.

BOXING

CATANIA, Sicily: European light-welterweight title (12 rounds): Thomas Ncakanketa (Fr) bt Alessandro Scapecchi (It), rsc 6th.

CRICKET

SCHOOL MATCH: Attleys School 154-7, Trinity 1st XI 89-7. Match drawn.

GOLF

TOKYO: Dunlop International Open tournament: first round: (Japanese unless stated): 66 Y Kouseka, 68 B Jones (Aus); 69 I Baker-Finch (Aus), C McClellan (US), Y Nozaki, S Tennyson (US), S Kanai, I Aoki, T Ina, Y Yamamoto, J Rutledge (Can), T Nakazaki (US), S Ebihara, T Nakamura, I Sugita; 70 J Jacobs (US), S Chung-shyan (Taiwan), Joe Furuki, Frankie Minoza (Phil), K Suzuki, C Tza-ming (Taiwan), Y Katayama, R Davis (Aus), H Chan-sheng (Taiwan), N Ozaki, H Ishii, Y Yokoshima, T Uenp.

FOOTBALL

SKEGNESS: English Schools' FA festival: Essex A 1, Humberside A 0; South Yorkshire 1, Cheshire 3; Shropshire A 1, Kent A 4; Bedfordshire A 3, Sussex 0; Nottinghamshire 3, Middlesex 3; Hereford/Worcester 1, Derbyshire A 2; Cornwall 1, Northumberland 3; Greater Manchester B 0, Hertfordshire B 2; Merseyside B 2, Somerset B 2; Hampshire B 4, West Midlands B 2; Avon B 1, West Yorkshire B 1; Yorks 2, Sussex 1, Nottinghamshire 4, Kent 'A' 4, Bedfordshire 'A' 1, Shropshire 'A' 2, Suffolk 2, Cornwall 2, Hereford/Worcester 3, Middlesex 8, Northumberland 1, Essex 'A' 2, Humberside 'A' 1, Cheshire 0, Greater Manchester 'B' 1, Hampshire 'B' 2, Merseyside 'B' 5, Avon 'B' 0, West Midlands 'B' 0, West Yorkshire 'B' 1, Hertfordshire 'B' 2, Somerset 'B' 1.

OLYMPIC QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT: West Asian Group One: Oman 2, Bahrain 1.

POLISH LEAGUE: Pogon Szczecin 7, GKS Katowice 2; Stal Mielec 0, LKS Lodz 0; Motor Lublin 2, Lech Poznan 0; Ruch Chorzow 0, Lechia Gdansk 0; Gornik Zabrze 1, Gornik Walbrzych 1; Olimpia Poznan 1, Legia Warszawa 1; Widzew Lodz 3, Polonia Bytom 0; Slask Wroclaw 1, Zaglebie Lubin 0. Leading standings: 1, Gornik Zabrze, played 23, points 41; 2, Pogon Szczecin, 23, 34; 3, Slask Wroclaw, 23, 33.

BULGARIAN LEAGUE: Dimitrovgrad 1, Lokomotiv Plovdiv 0, Vratsa 3, Lokomotiv Sofia 3, Spartak Pleven 1, Beroe 0, Sliven 2, Pirin 3, Trakia 4, Akademik 0, Etur 1, slavia 0, Vecchna 7, Spartak Varna 3, Sredets 10, Chernomorets 1.

ROMANIAN LEAGUE: Steaua Bucharest 3, Rapid 1, Victoria Bucharest 2, Giona Buzau 0, Universitatea Cluj-Napoca 4, FC Olt 1, Petrolul Ploiesti 2, FCM Brasov 0, Chimia Rimnicu Vilcea 1, Dinamo Bucharest 4, Otelul Galati 2, Flacara Moreni 1, Corvinul Hunedoara 2, Sportul Studentesc Bucharest 0, FC Arges Pitesti 2, Jiul Petrosani 1, Universitatea Craiova 3, SC Bacau 0.

MACBAR SOUTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: Swansea City 0, Hereford United 2.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Luton 3, Reading 1; Tottenham Hotspur 3, West Ham United 5.

ICE HOCKEY

NATIONAL LEAGUE (NHL): Play-offs: Patrick Division Finals: New York Islanders 2, Philadelphia Flyers 1. Adams division Finals: Quebec Nordiques 2, Montreal Canadiens 1.

VIENNA: World Championships: Soviet Union 4, Finland 0; United States 6, West Germany 4; Czechoslovakia 5, Switzerland 2.

SPEEDWAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Long Eaton 46, Berwick 31. Wimbledon 56, Rye House 22.

RUGBY LEAGUE

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Hull 21, Widnes 4. Second division: Blackpool 11, Carlisle 18.

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCH: Postponed: Bath v Exeter.

TOUR MATCHES: Tarragona 12, Civil Service 30; Montguich 10, Civil Service 18.

SNOW REPORTS

SCOTLAND: Cairngorms: upper runs, runs complete, wet snow; middle runs, runs complete, wet snow; lower slopes, no snow or very little: vertical runs, 1,400ft; snow level, 2,400ft; hill and main roads, clear. Glenshee and Lecht: finished for the season. Glencoe: insufficient snow for skiing. Forecast for today: dry and bright with sunny periods especially at Cairngorms; freezing level above mountain tops; wind south-east moderate. Outlook for tomorrow: cloudier with outbreaks of heavy rain spreading from the south with freshening south-east wind.

● Information supplied by the Scottish Meteorological Office.

TENNIS

HOUSTON: Women's tournament (US unless stated): First round: H Mandlikova (Cz) bt L Allen, 6-2, 6-1. Second round: M Navratilova bt L Gildemeister (Peru), 6-3, 6-4; J McNeil w/o A Jaeger, scr; K Gompert bt M Paz (Arg), 6-1, 6-2; K Gompert bt M Paz, 6-1, 6-2; H Mandlikova (Cz), bt L Allen, 6-2, 6-1; M Navratilova bt L Gildemeister (Peru), 6-3, 6-4; C Evert bt M Perez-Roldan (Arg), 6-2, 6-1; Z Garrison bt E Burgin, 6-0, 6-0.

BOURNEMOUTH: Prudential British Junior Hardcourt Championships: Boy's singles: Quarter-finals: A Livermore (Lancs) bt L Shasby (Lincs), 6-4, 2-6, 6-2, S Bell (Cambs) bt N Cowley (Essex), 6-0, 7-5; D Ireland (Leics) bt J Barton (Essex), 6-1, 6-3; N Smith (Lancs) bt D Draper (Northants), 6-2, 4-6, 6-1. Girl's singles: Quarter-finals: S Smith (Essex) bt L Nimmo (Warwickshire), 6-0, 6-4; K Fisher (North Wales) bt M Oldham (Surrey), 6-2, 7-5; S Gulzo (Middx) bt J Donovan (Warwickshire), 6-4, 5-7, 6-0; G Humphreys-Davies (Cambs) bt S Jenkins (Berks), 6-2, 6-2.

SEOUL: KAL (Korean Air) Cup Championships: Second round: J Fitzgerald (Aus) bt K Jones (US), 7-5, 7-6; A Agassi (US) bt R Simpson (NZ), 6-4, 6-1; M Leach (US) bt J Yzaga (Peru), 6-3, 2-6, 7-6, B Testerman (US) bt P Chamberlin (US), 6-1, 6-0; J Runen (Fr) bt M Kures (US), 7-6, 6-3; J Sagin (US) bt K Bongsoo (S Kor), 6-3, 7-6; M Schapers (Neth) bt S Dong-wook (S Kor), 7-5, 4-6, 6-2; J Grabb (US) bt G Michibata (Can), 7-5, 6-1.

CRICKET

Like father like son as Underwood sees off Sardesai

By Richard Streeton

THE PARKS: Kent, with nine second innings wickets in hand, lead Oxford University by 292 runs.

Kent gained a first innings lead of 190 against Oxford University yesterday and in the usual fashion of these matches decided that practice was preferable to enforcing the follow-on. Chris Cowdrey rounded off a blissful Spring day with a series of belligerent strokes, which brought him 67 not out in the closing stages.

Nobody could remember warmer sunshine for the season's first match and memories tend to be longer on this ground than at most places. Two distinguished horticulturists added that it boded ill for the rest of the summer, but another splendid day's cricket brought no further cause for pessimism.

Kent declared at their overnight score and the university were dismissed for 155 on the stroke of tea. Kilborn, who punished anything loose with typically Australian confidence, and Tooley, the captain, were the main contributors. They shared a third wicket stand of 95 in 34 overs.

Everyone wanted to see Igglesden bowl because of the heavy responsibility he has suddenly inherited. It was bad enough for Kent to lose Dilley and Alderman this winter but they are also going to be without Baptiste and Ellison for two or three weeks. Baptiste is still engaged in the Caribbean's Shell Shield; Ellison returned from wintering in Tasmania with a stress fracture in the back.

For two or three years Igglesden has been in the promising category and Kent are hoping that this summer he will earn a regular first team place. He is aged 22 and is 6ft 5in tall, and has a fluent, spring-heeled action. His control was variable but his good balls were lively and he was able to extract some lift from a docile pitch.

Igglesden had Hagan caught in the gully in his second over and he kept a better line in his later spells. Jarvis, who takes a benefit this year, was troubled by over-stepping but brought Kent a second early success when he had Beech taken low at second slip. Beech is another Australian and has experience of Western Australian grade cricket. Having made a pair against Buckinghamshire in a practice match, he knows for sure that things can only get better.

Kilborn and Tooley seldom looked troubled though both were subdued against Underwood. Kilborn had just pulled Underwood for four when a faster ball brought Tavare a slip catch. Underwood gained a second wicket in the classic manner later when he tempted Sardesai to move out against a slow, flighted ball and Marsh had all the time in the world for the stumping. During tea Underwood recalled having Sardesai's father magnificently caught by Knott in a Test match once from a not dissimilar ball. Underwood is 42 in June though you would not think it from his wholehearted fielding. He intends to see how this summer goes before deciding whether this will be his last year.

Tooley, who played some attractive drives, was caught behind as he played back to Igglesden. Crawley, who had a three figure batting average last summer for Manchester Grammar School, was also dismissed by the fast bowler when he flicked a catch off his legs

KENT: First Innings 345 for 3 dec (M R Benson 106, S G Hinks 104 not out, N R Taylor 58. BOWLING: Firth 26-5-76-0; Buttell 14-4-30-0; Crawley 24-5-79-1; Weale 37-6-106-0; Edwards 19-8-47-1.)

Second Innings

*C S Cowdrey not out	67
†S A Marsh c Firth b Nuttall	24
D G Aslett not out	0
Extras (b 4, lb 1, nb 6)	11
Total (1 wkt)	102

FALL OF WICKET: 1-77.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First Innings

D A Hagan c Penn b Igglesden	0
A R Beech c Cowdrey b Jarvis	0
M J Kilborn c Tavaré b Underwood	43
*C D M Tooley c Marsh b Igglesden	44
M R Crawley c Hinks b Igglesden	0
R D Sardesai st Marsh b Underwood	17
S D Weale c Tavaré b Jarvis	19
T Firth b Underwood	0
P G Edwards c Penn b Igglesden	4
J D Nuttall c Tavaré b Penn	3
†J E B Cope not out	3
Extras (lb 5, w 1, nb 16)	22
Total	155

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-5, 3-100, 4-102, 5-108, 6-142, 7-142, 8-142, 9-147, 10-155.

BOWLING: Igglesden 15-2-49-4; Jarvis 14-5-23-2; Cowdrey 5-0-13-0; Penn 11-2-23-1; Underwood 19-7-28-3; Aslett 2-0-7-0; Tavaré 1-0-1-0.

Umpires: D Lloyd and A G T Whitehead.

Play at a halt as students falter

By Ivo Tennant

FENNER'S: Cambridge University, with one wicket remaining, are 164 runs behind Lancashire.

It is not every April day that one can stroll across Parkers Piece to Fenner's in shirtsleeves, bypassing an exhibition of aikido – a purist form of martial arts – into the bargain. Such perfection, alas, was not maintained on the field, where the cricket almost ground to a standstill.

It is tempting to write about the aikido, but cricket is still more important in Cambridge, as evidenced by the difference in the respective crowds. If only it could distinguish itself again.

Lancashire batted on in the morning, to no great consequence, adding 23 runs. Perry, who kept up a brisk medium pace throughout the innings, took the two wickets to fall.

Cambridge lost Bail in the second over, pushing forward to O'Shaughnessy, who was given the new ball in the absence of Patterson and Murphy. The pitch was still on the slow side and Lancashire's medium pacers were short of a length, but there were no other excuses as to why only 41 runs were scored in the afternoon session.

In the third hour of the innings, 12 runs came from 20 overs. There was not a ripple of discontent. This was Fenners, where entrance was free and some grit was needed to enhance the University's reputation.

Atherton, who has made a more immediate impact than any freshman since Parker, got a touch to one from Hayhurst that looked to deviate fractionally.

Ahluwalia offered dogged defiance until the spinners came on, then fell to a bat and pad catch, having made 17 in 135 minutes. Price eked out nine runs in 75 minutes before he was sent back and run out by Folley's throw from fine leg. Heath went seven runs later, edging Folley to Stanworth.

Fell reached 35 whereupon he attempted something too adventurous against Simmons. And so the innings disintegrated: Hart going without scoring and Gorman, who at least succeeded once or twice in hitting the spinners over the top, being stumped shortly before the close. His 39 was top score of the day. Perry was out in the last over.

At least the university batsmen were making Lancashire toil for their wickets. Clearly, they were fearful of another collapse. Cambridge finished the day 9 wickets down, requiring a further 15 to save the follow-on. Whether Lancashire would wish to enforce it is another matter. Practice is the greatest necessity.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings

G D Mendis c Atherton b Scott	0
G Fowler lbw b Palmer	49
J Abrahams c Atherton b Scott	10
N Fairbrother lbw b Scott	4
S J O'Shaughnessy b Perry	27
*D P Hughes c Fell b Hart	61
A N Hayhurst lbw b Scott	6
J Simmons c Perry b Hart	64
P J W Allott b Perry	29
I Folley not out	14
†J Stanworth b Perry	6
Extras (b 3, w 1, nb 5)	9
Total	301

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-18, 3-33, 4-93, 5-102, 6-113, 7-238, 8-263, 9-295, 10-301.

BOWLING: Scott 36-7-95-4; Perry 31.5-5-73-3; Palmer 12-2-41-1; Hart 27-9-53-2; Atherton 9-0-36-0.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: First Innings

P A C Bail lbw b O'Shaughnessy	4
M S Ahluwalia c O'Shaughnessy b Simmons	17
M A Atherton c Stanworth b Hayhurst	12
†D J Fell c Allott b Simmons	35
*D G Price run out	9
S D Heath c Stanworth b Folley	2
S R Gorman st Stanworth b Folley	39
R J Hart lbw b Simmons	0
S Palmer not out	5
J Perry lbw b Allott	0
Extras (b 1, lb 8, nb 5)	14
Total (9 wkts)	137

A M G Scott to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-5, 2-32, 3-46, 4-73, 5-50, 6-105, 7-112, 8-134, 9-137.

Umpires: P J Eele and K E Palmer.

NON LEAGUE FOOTBALL

Sutton hold the ace card

By Paul Newman

Sutton United, who have been quietly finding their feet in their first campaign in the GM Vauxhall Conference, will be thrust on to centre stage tomorrow for the most crucial non-League match of the season. Sutton entertain Scarborough, the Conference leaders, knowing that victory would present Barnet with a glorious chance to take the championship and automatic promotion to the Football League.

Barnet, who do not have a game tomorrow, are three points behind Scarborough, but have a substantially superior goal difference. Just a draw at Sutton will leave Scarborough having only to beat Weymouth at home in their last match of the season next Saturday to take the title. If they lose, however, Barnet will take the championship if they win their two remaining games, at home to Stafford Rangers (next Wednesday) and Dagenham (next Saturday).

Sutton, who expect a gate of 1,500, have hovered around the half-way mark for most of the season but have scored more goals at home (49) than any other Conference team and are the only side to have done the double over Barnet.

Neil Warnock, the Scarborough manager, said yesterday: "Sutton are the best side we have played this season and we know they fancy their chances against us. I gather a lot of Barnet supporters are going there to cheer on Sutton and with us taking plenty of people too, there will be a great atmosphere. I just hope the referee will be strong because it will be very tense."

Barry Fry, the Barnet manager, has yet to decide whether he will watch the match. "Scarborough are hoping I will go because they've won on all five occasions that I've watched them this season," he said. "But Sutton have won all four times that I've watched them, so something would have to give."

Scarborough appeared well on course for the title until their 2-1 defeat on Monday against Runcorn in front of a home crowd of 3,764, their best league gate for 17 years. It ended their Conference record run of 22 unbeaten matches.

Frickley Athletic and Gateshead are already relegated from the Conference and Welling United will join them tomorrow if they fail to win at Cheltenham Town. By winning the Vauxhall-Opel League Wycombe Wanderers have secured one of the promotion places into the Conference, but the other two have yet to be decided.

Bangor City and Macclesfield Town are challenging for the Multipart League title and Aylesbury United and Fisher Athletic are the contenders in the Southern League. Aylesbury have enough games in hand to win the championship but face a heavy schedule.

●Noel Ashford of Wycombe is the only player from outside the Conference in the 16-man England semi-professional squad for next month's four-nations tournament in Scotland.

SQUAD: A Pape (Enfield), S Humphreys (Barnet), P Shirtliff (Frickley), P Gadsby (Altrincham), C Brazier (Kidderminster), D Howell (Enfield), N Thompson (Scarborough), T Jones (Weymouth), G Simpson (Stafford), M Golley (Sutton Utd), A Joseph (Telford), N Ashford (Wycombe), K Casey (Kidderminster), M Carter (Runcorn), G Abbott (Welling), P Davies (Kidderminster).

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TELEVISION AND RADIO

Compiled by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

Disco bouncers Mad Kenny (Andrew Livingstone) and Chike (Paul Rider) in the first episode of The Ritz (on BBC2, 9.30pm)

The war of the discos

● John Godber has been primarily a man of the theatre, artistic director since 1984 of the Hull Truck Company and author of a series of plays notable for their innovative staging and ability to reflect the rougher moods of contemporary Britain. One of them, *Blood, Sweat and Tears*, was adapted for television but **The Ritz** (BBC2, 9.30pm) is his first work specially written for the small screen. It is the story of decent, mild Eric, who sinks his last penny (£40,000, to be precise) in a northern disco, only to have it threatened with forcible closure by a crew-cutted nasty, Mad Mick, who owns a rival disco in the same town. Eric's instinct is to meet force with force and he hires three bouncers to foil Mad Mick and keep the show going. Godber departs from the seamless naturalism of most television drama by having his characters talk directly to the camera, splitting the screen and using the Dennis Potter device of miming to old tunes. Godber is also co-director, adopting a frenetic pop video style with lots of jump cuts and flashing lights. Neither style nor content is at first viewing easy to assimilate, but there are five more episodes in which to get used to both. Meanwhile, there is no denying the show's vitality and willingness to break the usual television mould. Richard James Lewis (Eric) and Richard Ridings (Mad Mick) head a largely unfamiliar cast.

Peter Waymark

CHOICE

● *Peter Davalle writes:* Martin Crimp's **Six Figures at the Base of a Crucifixion** (9.10pm), getting a second airing, ends Radio 3's mini-Crimp season. We heard his award-winning *Definitely the Bahamas* on Tuesday night, and by now we ought to be feeling reasonably *au fait* with the surreal world his mainly unsympathetic characters inhabit. It is certainly not a comfortable world for the average listener (is there such a thing?) to enter, and in the case of *Six Figures* the writer's intention sometimes becomes irritatingly blurred. I advise first-time listeners to this play not to listen too hard for resonances of the first Good Friday, and not to think too much about the traditional pictures of the Crucifixion that were painted by the old masters.

Bernard Hepton in a Martin Crimp play: R3, 9.10pm

VARIATIONS

BBC1 **WALES: 5.35pm-6.00** Wales Today **6.35-7.00** Sportsnight **12.55am-1.00am** News and weather. **SCOTLAND 10.50am-11.00** Dotaman **6.35pm-7.00** Reporting Scotland **10.25-10.55** The Beechgrove Garden **10.55-11.25** Left, Right and Centre **11.25-1.10am** Film: Lonely are the Brave* **1.10-1.15** Weather **NORTHERN IRELAND 5.35pm-5.40** Today's Sport **5.40-6.00** Inside Ulster **6.35-7.00** First Class **12.55am-1.00** News and weather **ENGLAND 6.35pm-7.00** Regional news magazine.

BBC2 **WALES 6.00pm-6.30** Public Account. **SCOTLAND 6.00pm-6.30** World Snooker **NORTHERN IRELAND 6.00pm-6.30** A Question of Sport. **ENGLAND 6.00-6.30 East:** East on Two **Midlands:** Life File. **North:** Ronnie Scott at Coconut Grove. **North-east:** Northern Personalities of the Year **North-west:** A Private Voice **South:** Inquiry. **South-west:** Our Street **West:** West on Two

ANGLIA **As London except 9.25am** Fabulous Funnies **9.50** Ask No Questions **10.20** Palleson and Pilmark **10.30-11.05** Cartoon **1.20pm** News **1.30-3.00** Film: Be My Guest* **5.15-5.45** Connections **6.00-7.00** About Anglia **10.30** Cross Question **11.10** Film: Light at the Edge of the World **1.25am** Late Night Final, Closedown.

BORDER **As London except 9.25am** Pickwick Papers **10.40-11.05** Struggle Beneath the Sea **1.20pm** News **1.30** Shammy Dab **2.00** Film: Hour of Decision **3.30-4.00** Young Doctors **6.00** Lookaround **6.30-7.00** Take the High Road **10.30** Film: The Island **12.30am** Closedown.

CENTRAL **As London except 9.25am** Gods and Heroes **9.40** Colorado Canyon **10.15-11.05** Dirkham Detective Agency **1.20-1.30** News **5.15-5.45** Punky Brewster **6.00** News **6.45-7.00** Central Post **10.35** Central Weekend **12.00** Film: Revenge **1.40am** Jodrinder **2.40** Closedown.

CHANNEL **As London except 9.28am** Once Upon a Time .. Man **9.55** Dangerfreaks **10.50-11.05** Cartoon **1.20pm** News **1.30** Falcon Crest **2.30-3.00** Mary **3.30-4.00** Country GP **5.15-5.45** Connections **6.00** Channel Report **6.25** Weekend Diary **6.30-7.00** That's Gardening **10.30** Return to Eden **12.15am** Mascoline Mysteque **1.15** Closedown.

GRAMPIAN **As London except 9.25am** Robostory **9.50** Beyond 2000 **10.40-11.05** Survival **1.20pm** News **1.30** Love Boat **2.25** Take the High Road **2.55** Sons and Daughters **3.30** Smurfs **3.45-4.00** Trang Trang **5.15-5.45** Connections **6.00-7.00** North Tonight **10.30** Crossfire **11.00** Meltdown **12.00** News, Closedown.

GRANADA **As London except 9.25am** Granada Reports **9.30** European Folk Tales **9.40** Mr T **10.05** Tarzan **10.50** Professor Kitzel **10.55** BMX Beat **11.25-12.00** About Britain **1.20pm** Granada Reports **1.30** Week in View **2.00-3.00** Murder She Wrote **3.30-4.00** Young Doctors **5.15-5.45** Mr Merlin **6.00** Granada Reports **6.30-7.00** Please, Sir! **10.30** Celebration **11.00** What the European Papers Say **11.15** Film: Light at the End of the World **1.30am** Closedown.

HTV WEST **As London except 9.25am** Mr Merlin **9.45** A Cut Above **10.40-11.05** Gardner Your Dreams **1.20pm** News **1.30-3.00** Film: Desert Mice* **5.15-5.45** Who's the Boss? **6.00-7.00** News **10.30** Good Neighbour Show **11.00** Your Say **11.15** Kit Curran **11.45** Meltdown **12.45am** Closedown.

HTV WALES **As HTV West except 6.00pm-7.00** Wales at Six **10.30-11.15** Elinor.

SCOTTISH **As London except 9.25am** Outsiders **10.25** Struggle Beneath the Sea **10.50-11.05** Country Calendar **1.20pm** News **1.30** Live at One-Thirty **2.00** Film: Blondie Goes Latin* **3.15** Sons and Daughters **3.45-4.00** Trang Trang **6.00** Scotland Today **6.30-7.00** Who's the Boss? **10.30** Scottish Assembly **11.30** Randall & Hopkirk **12.25am** Late Call, Closedown.

TSW **As London except 9.25am** News **9.30** Smurfs **9.40-11.05** Film: Big Store* **1.20pm** News **1.30-3.00** Film: Beat Girl **3.30-4.00** Young Doctors **5.15-5.45** Blockbusters **6.00-7.00** Friday Show **10.32** Film: Walkabout **12.15am** Postscript **12.10** Film: How Awful About Allan **1.41** Closedown.

TVS **As London except 9.28am** One Upon a Time ... Man **9.55** Dangerfreaks **10.50-11.05** Cartoon **1.20pm** News **1.30** Falcon Crest **1.30-3.00** Mary **3.30-4.00** Country GP **5.15-5.45** Connections **6.00** Coast to Coast **6.30-7.00** That's Gardening **10.30** Return to Eden **12.15am** Masculine Mysteque **1.15** Company, Closedown.

TYNE TEES **As London except 9.25am** News **9.30** Everyday China **10.00-11.05** Film: Good Morning Boys* **1.20pm** News **1.30-3.00** Film: Murder by Proxy* **6.00** Northern Life **6.30-7.00** Different Strokes **10.32** Extra Time **11.00** Film: Kung Fu **12.30am** Three's Company, Closedown.

ULSTER **As London except 9.25am** Day Ahead **9.30** Big Bird Goes to China **10.45-11.05** Once Upon a Time ... Man **1.20pm** Lunchtime **1.30-3.00** Film: Operation Bullshine* **6.00** Good Evening Ulster **6.30-7.00** Spellbound **10.30** Witness **10.35** Sportscast **11.05** Scarecrow and Mrs King **11.55** Rock of the Seventies **12.10am** News, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE **As London except 9.25am** Spacewatch **9.40-11.05** Film: Big Store* **1.20pm** News **1.25** Help Yourself **1.30-3.00** Film: Appointment in Honduras **6.00** Calendar **6.30-7.00** Knight Rider **10.30** Film: Family Plot **12.45am** Film: Beer Island **2.55** Jobfinder **3.35** Closedown.

S4C Starts: **12.55am** Sputniks, Bleeps and Mr Perry **2.00** Countdown **2.30** Racing **4.35** Ampcharts **4.50** Smyrffs **5.15** Mona Museum **5.30** The Tube **7.00** Newyddion Saith **7.30** Rene **8.00** Sonamdani **8.35** Byd ar Bedwar **9.35** Snwcer **10.15** Film: Restless Natives **12.00** Closedown.

BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM. **6.55** Weather.
7.00 Breakfast Time . National and international news at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00** and **8.30**; regional news and travel reports at **7.15, 7.45** and **8.15**; weather at **7.25, 7.55** and **8.25.**
8.40 Advice Line presented by Paul Clark and Eileen Evason **8.55** Regional news and weather.
9.00 News and weather **9.05** Dudley Do-Right. Cartoon adventures of a Mountie. (r) **9.10** The Monkees. (r) **9.35** Why Don't You. . ? Entertaining ideas for bored youngsters.
10.00 News and weather **10.05** Neighbours. (r) **10.25** Children's BBC. With Andy Crane. **10.30** Play School . **10.50** Paddington. (r)
10.55 Five to Eleven. Joanna Lumley with a thought for the day **11.00** News and weather **11.05** Bonanza. Jamie goes missing and Hoss is forced to enlist help for the search. (r) **11.50** Misterjaw Supershark. .
12.00 News and weather **12.05** Open Air. Viewers' chance to comment on television programmes **12.55** Regional news and weather.
1.00 One O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. Weather. **1.25** Neighbours. Will Maria's happiness be marred by Danny? **1.50** Mop and Smiff. (r)
2.05 Knots Landing. Cji and Chip continue to argue over Ciji's unborn child. **2.55** Film 87. Reviews of Platoon, and Crimes of the Heart. (r) **3.25** Box Clever. Family quiz show presented by Emlyn Hughes.
3.50 The Amazing Adventures of Morph, introduced by Tony Hart. (r) **4.00** Corners. Young viewers' questions answered **4.10** Ulysses 31. Animated adventure series.
4.35 Film: Sammy's Super T-Shirt (1978) The story of a young boy's favourite T-Shirt that, unbeknown to him, acquires magical powers and leads the lad into thinking that it is his training that helps him run as fast as the wind. Starring Reggie Winch. Directed by Jeremy Summers. **5.35** The Flintstones. Cartoon series.
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Sue Lawley and Philip Hayton. Weather.
6.35 London Plus.
7.00 Wogan. The guests include Donald Sinden and Roy Hudd
7.35 Every Second Counts. The first of a new series of the comedy quiz show, presented by Paul Daniels.
8.10 The Colbys. Bliss seeks help from Jason when her Russian ballet-dancer lover threatens to defect; and Fallon is carefully watched by Miles after she threatens to abort the baby that could be his child. (Ceefax)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis and Andrew Harvey. Regional news and weather.
9.30 Whicker's World: Living With Uncle Sam. The fifth of ten films in which Alan Whicker meets Britons who have made their home in the United States. (r) (Ceefax)
10.25 The Sky at Night. This 30th anniversary programme looks back at the highlights of the series and forward to the new telescopes that are being developed.
11.10 Film: Lonely Are the Brave* (1962) starring Kirk Douglas, Gena Rowlands, and Walter Matthau. The story of a perennial cowboy who will not accept the modern world where laws are meant to be kept. When he is jailed he makes a bid for freedom. Directed by David Miller.
12.55 Weather

New head of the prep school (Richard Pasco) and his wife (Ciaran Madden) in the first episode of Drummonds (on ITV, 9.00pm)

BBC2

6.55 Open University: Steel, Stars and Spectra. Ends at **7.20.**
9.00 Ceefax.
10.25 World Snooker. Action from the second round of the Embassy World Professional Championship, from the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield. Alex Higgins begins his game against Terry Griffiths; and Joe Johnson, the holder, continues his match with Murdo McLeod. At **2.30** viewers' questions about the sport are answered in *Snooker Break*. From **3.03** Steve Longworth plays Stephen Hendry; and Ray Reardon battles with Steve Davis. Includes news and weather at **2.00** and **3.00**; and news, regional news and weather at **3.50.**
6.00 Film: No Limit* (1935) starring George Formby and Florence Desmond. Comedy about an assistant chimney sweep who dreams of being a motorcycle ace. Despite the ridicule of his neighbours he decides to enter the Isle of Man TT races which leads to a number of hair-raisng stunts. The film includes footage of the real 1935 Isle of Man TT races. Directed by Monty Banks.
7.20 Cartoon Two. Snipe-Clam Grapple.
7.30 The Education Programme presented by Sarah Kennedy. An examination of the implications of the teachers' proposed industrial action; and a debate between teahers, parents, and pupils from Hayfield School, Doncaster, and Sheila Naybour from the National Confederation of Parent Teacher Associations.
8.00 World Snooker. David Icke introduces further second round coverage of the Embassy World Professional Championship.
8.30 Gardeners' World. Geoff Hamilton and John Kelly visit Mariclifte, Warwickshire, to look at a two-and-a-half acre garden created from an old orchard blighted with honey fungus.
9.00 Now - Something Else. Comedy impressions from Rory Bremner and his team of Sara Crowe, John Dowie, Steve Steen, and Jim Sweeney.
9.30 The Ritz. Episode one of a six-part comedy drama about a man who sinks his redundancy money into buying The Ritz disco and discovers that a rival disco owner doesn't tolerate competition. Starring Richard James Lewis. (Ceefax) (see Choice)
10.20 Newsnight **11.05** Weather.
11.10 World Snooker from Sheffield. The commentators at the Crucible Theatre are Ted Lowe, Jack Karnehm, and Clive Everton. Ends **1.05.**

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6.15 TV-am introduced by Kay Burley and Richard Keys. Weather at **6.28** and **6.58**; news at **6.30**; financial news at **6.35**; sport at **6.40**; and exercises at **6.55.**
7.00 Good Morning Britain presented by Jayne Irving and Mike Morris. News at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** and **9.00**; cartoon at **7.25**; sport at **7.40**; pop music at **7.55**; and Jimmy Greaves's television highlights at **8.35.** At **8.45** Wacaday, for the young.
9.25 Thames news headlines followed by Film: Springfield Rifle (1952) starring Gary Cooper and Phyllis Thaxter. American Civil War story about an espionage unit set up by the Union side to counteract the theft of horses that find their way to the Confederate forces. Directed by Andre De Toth. **11.05** BMX Beat. Day five of the Three-in-One Oil UK Television Freestyle Championship.
11.30 About Britain. Clive Gunnell continues along the Cotswold Way, from Halles to Stanway.
12.00 Orm and Cheep. (r) **12.10** Rainbow.
12.30 Manscape. Neil Cossons visits Nailsea in Avon, and Great Tew in Oxfordshire. (r)
1.00 News at One with Leonard Parkin **1.20** Thames news.
1.30 Film: The Beachcomber (1954) starring Glynis Johns, Robert Newton, and Donald Sinden. The story of a Colonial Office official who is posted to a tropical island as Resident-in-Charge and discovers that there are only three other whites on the island, one of them a booze-sodden character sent there by his rich but embarrassed parents. Directed by Muriel Box.
3.00 Take the High Road. Murdoch has a proposition for Brian **3.25** Thames news headlines **3.30** Sons and Daughters.
4.00 Rainbow. Shown earlier at 12.10. **4.15** Dennis. Cartoon series about a boy who attracts trouble **4.25** Emu's Wide World presented by Rod Hull.
5.15 Ask No Questions. Quiz game without questions.
5.45 News with Fiona Armstrong.
6.00 The 6 O'Clock Show presented by Michael Aspel.
7.00 Through the Keyhole. Who are the proud owners of two homes? From clues supplied by Loyd Grossman, the panel of Alan Coren, Mary Parkinson, and Kenneth Williams, try to guess. Presented by David Frost. (Oracle)
7.30 Film: Matlock: Diary of a Perfect Murder (1986) starring Andy Griffith. A made-for-television movie, heralding a new series beginning next Friday, about a rural lawyer and his battles with high-powered city lawmen, tonight defending a man accused of murdering his ex-wife. Directed by Robert Day. (Oracle)
9.00 Drummonds. Part one of a new series of the drama set in a preparatory school during the 1950s, starring Richard Pasco, Ciaran Madden, and Anthony Calf. (Oracle)
10.00 News at Ten with Alastair Burnet and Alastair Stewart.
10.30 Tomorrowland . A repeat of the programme shown in October which highlighted the problems of the prosperous South-east. Next week, a programme explores the possible solutions. Followed by LWT News.
12.00 Night Heat. Police series.
12.50 New from London. The Sinatras in concert at the Camden Palace. Ends **1.50.**

Close acquaintance: Tina Turner with David Bowie in Private Dancer Tour, recorded at the NEC, Birmingham (C4, 10.30pm)

CHANNEL 4

2.30 Channel 4 Racing from Sandown Park. Brough Scott introduces coverage of the Guildford Stakes (2.35); the 82nd Renewal of the Tudor Stakes (3.05); the Trusthouse Forte Mile (3.40); and the Athlone Stakes (4.10)
4.30 Countdown. Yesterday's winner of the words and numbers game is challenged by Martin Loughran from Gwynedd, North Wales.
5.00 Mister Ed* Vintage American comedy series about a man who owns a talking horse. Starring Alan Young.
5.30 The Tube. The final programme of the rock show series presented by Jools Holland, Paula Yates, and Muriel Gray. Appearing this evening are Boy George, Tina Turner, U2, The Swans, Skin, The Cure, and Fourteen Karat Soul. Plus highlights from some of the more than 200 hours of music seen in the series'
7.00 Channel 4 News with Peter Sissons and Christabel King. Weather.
7.50 Book Choice. Novelist and playwright Edna O'Brien discusses Henri Troyat's biography of the Russian playwright Anton Chekhov.
8.00 What the Papers Say. Julia Langdon of *The Daily Mirror* reviews how the Press has treated the week's news.
8.20 Callaghan. The third and final part of the series in which Mrs Thatcher's immediate predecessor at Number Ten reflects on his life and career and, somewhat circumspectly, the subject of defence.
9.00 E.R. Comedy series starring Elliott Gould as a hard-pressed and world weary Emergency Room doctor in an inner city hospital. This evening, he becomes reacquainted with his soon-to-be-remarried ex-wife; while his boss, Eve Sheridan, is the subject of sexual blackmail from a lecherous hospital administrator.
9.30 Plants for Free. This fourth programme in the series on plant propagation explains propagation by seed. (Oracle)
10.00 Cheers. Comedy series about the staff and customers of a Boston bar. (Oracle)
10.30 Tina Turner: Private Dancer Tour 1985. Highlights of a concert given by the entertainer at the national Exhibition Centre, Birmingham, in 1985. The guests are Bryan Adams and David Bowie.
11.35 Film: 1900 (1976) The second and final part of Bertolucci's film, begun last night, about life in Italy from the turn-of-the-century to the end of the Second World War. Ends at **2.20.**

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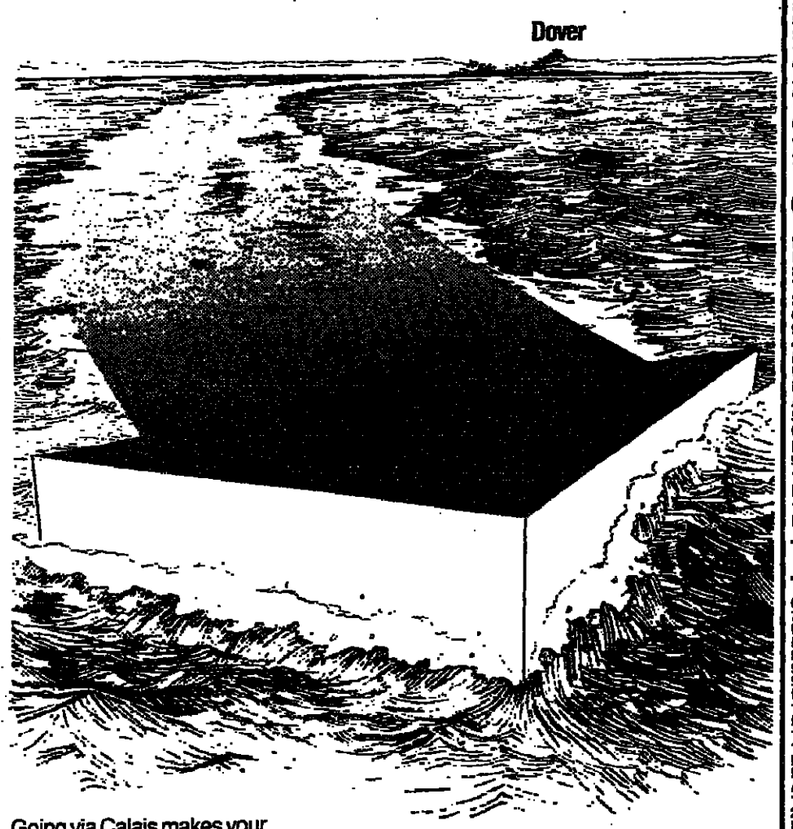

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Radio 1

MF (medium wave).Stereo on VHF (see below)
News on the half-hour from **6.30**am until **8.30**pm then **10.00** and **12.00** midnight
5.30am Adrian John **7.00** Simon Mayo **9.30** Simon Bates **12.30**pm Newsbeat **12.45** Gary Davies **3.00** Steve Wright **5.30** Newsbeat **5.45** Singled Out **7.00** Andy Peebles **10.00-12.00** The Friday Rock Show (Megadeth and Flotsam and Jetsam. **VHF** Stereo – **4.00**am As Radio 2 **10.00**pm As Radio 1 **12.00-4.00**am As Radio 2

Radio 2

MF (medium wave).
News on the hour (except **8.00**pm). Sports Desks **6.31, 7.31, 8.31, 12.02**pm, **1.05, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45** (mf only), **9.55**
4.00am Bill Rennells **5.30** Ray Moore **7.30** Derek Jameson **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.00** Angela Rippon **1.05**pm David Jacobs **2.00** Anneka Rice **3.30** Adrian Love **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Hubert Gregg **7.30** Friday Night Is Music Night **8.45** Michael Garrick **9.00** The Organist Entertains **10.00** Paul Hudson Sings **10.30** Press Gang **11.00** Stuart Hall **1.00**am Nightride **3.00-4.00** A Little Night Music

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6.00 Newsdesk **6.30** Meridian **7.00** News **7.09** Twenty-Four Hours **7.30** Folk Entertainers **7.45** Merchant Navy Programme **8.00** News **8.09** Reflections **8.15** Loved by the Gods **8.30** Music Now **9.00** News **9.09** Review of the British Press **9.15** World Today **9.30** Financial News followed by: Look Ahead **9.45** Hotel du Lac **10.00** News **10.01** Soundtracking **10.15** Merchant Navy programme (until **10.30**) **11.00** News **11.09** News About Britain **11.15** In the Meantime **11.25** A Letter From Northern Ireland **11.30** Meridian **12.00** Radio Newsreel **12.15** Jazz For The Asking **12.45** Sports Roundup **1.00** News **1.09** Twenty-Four Hours **1.30** John Peel **2.00** Outlook **2.45** Nature Notebook **3.00** Radio Newsreel **3.15** The Library of Congress **4.00** News **4.09** Commentary (until **4.15**) **7.00** Outlook **7.39** Stock Market Report **7.45** Society Today **8.00** News **8.09** Twenty-Four Hours **8.30** Science in Action **9.00** News **9.01** Network UK **9.15** Music Now **9.45** A Night to Remember **10.00** News **10.09** World Today **10.25** A Letter from Northern Ireland **10.30** Financial News **10.40** Reflections **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News **11.09** Commentary **11.15** From The Weeklies **11.30** Multitrack 3 **12.00** News **12.09** News About Britain **12.15** Radio Newsreel **12.30** Society Today **12.45** Recording of the Week **1.00** News **1.01** Outlook **1.30** Soundtracking **1.45** Nature Notebook **2.00** News **2.09** Review of the British Press **2.15** Network UK **2.30** People and Politics **3.00** News **3.09** News about Britain **3.15** World Today (until **3.30**) **4.45** Reflections **4.50** Financial News **5.00** News **5.09** Twenty-Four Hours (until **5.30**). All times in GMT.

Radio 3

6.35 Open University. Deputy heads. Until **6.55**
6.55 Weather. **7.00** News
7.05 Morning Concert: Schumann (Manfred overture: Berlin PO under Kubelik), Grieg (Spring: Schiotz, tenor), Carl Stamitz (Sinfonia concertante in D: Stern, violin with ECO under Barenboim), Johann Strauss (Emperor Waltz: Vienna Volksoper Orchestra under Bauer-Theussl). **8.00** News
8.05 Concert (contd): Schubert (Overture in D, D 590: Bournemouth SO under Schwarz), Beethoven (Ah! Perfido: Schwarzkopf), Mozart (Piano Concerto No 23: Perahia with ECO). **9.00** World Service News
9.10 This Week's Composer: Walton. Prelude and Spitfire Fugue from First of the Few; Battle in the Air, from Battle of Britain; the suite from Henry V; Funeral March from Hamlet; and Hamlet and Ophelia: poem for orchestra
10.00 Orchestras of the World: San Diego Youth SO. With Jason Rogers (violin). Bernstein (Candide overture), Sibelius (Violin Concerto), Shostakovich (Symphony No 5)
11.40 Elgar and Liszt songs: Judith Malafronte (mezzo), with Antony Saunders (piano). Includes Elgar's Through the long days, and Queen Mary's Song; and Liszt's Die drei Zigeuner, and Es muss ein Wunderbares
12.15 BBC Welsh SO , under James Loughran. With John Lill (piano). Part one. Beethoven (Egmont overture), and Piano Concerto No 2. **1.00** News
1.05 Concert (part two). Bruckner (Symphony No 4)
2.15 Wilhelm Friedemann Bach: Alan Cuckston (harpsichord) plays Fantase No 8 in C minor. Polonaise No 10 in F minor, and Sonata No 6 in E flat major
2.50 Vivaldi: I Musici, with Heinz Holliger (oboe), Klaus Thunemann (bassoon). Concertos in F major, RV 457; in G major, RV 545; and in C major, RV 452
3.20 Violin and piano: Paul Barritt and Susan Tomes. Adrian Thomas (Elegy), Stanford (Caoine Op 54 No 1), Mozart (Sonata in D, K 526)
4.00 Choral Evensong: from Wells Cathedral. **5.00** World Service News
5.10 Mainly for Pleasure: another of Fritz Spiegl's selections of recorded music. **6.55** News
7.00 Chausson: BBC Scottish SO under Norman del Mar, with Anna Steiger (soprano). Poeme de l'amour et de la mer
7.30 Endellion String Quartet. Part one. Purcell (String fantasias No 10 in E minor, No 67in F, and No 2 in D minor. Also Mozart's Quartet in D major, K 499
8.10 Rural Runes: Myth and irrational belief in 19th century France. A talk by Marina Warner
8.30 Endellion String Quartet (part two). Britten's Quartet No 2
9.10 Six Figures at the Base of a Crucifixion: Martin Crimp's play about an unusual Good Friday at an English seaside resort. With Bernard Hepton, Auriol Smith, Geoffrey Matthews, George Parsons, Mark Straker and Elaine Claxton (r)
10.10 Henze, Bartok and Messiaen: Scottish Chamber Orchestra under Roderick Brydon, with Scottish Philharmonic Singers, Nan Christie (soprano), Susan Tomes (piano), Cynthia Millar (ondes Martenot). Henze (Cantata della fiaba estrema). Bartok (Music for strings, percussion and celesta). Messiaen (Trois petites liturgies de la Presence Divine)
11.57 News **12.0** Closedown.

Olivier as Henry V: hear the music on Radio 3, 9.10am

Radio 4

LF (long wave).(s) stereo on VHF
5.55 Shipping **6.00** News Briefing; Weather **6.10** Farming **6.25** Prayer (s)
6.30 Today, incl **6.30, 7.30, 8.30** News **6.45** Business News **6.55, 7.55** Weather; Travel **7.00, 8.00** News **7.25, 8.25** Sport **7.45** Thought for the Day **8.35** Yesterday in Parliament **8.50** Letters **8.57** Weather; Travel
9.00 News
9.05 Desert Island Discs. Michael Bogdanov in conversation with Michael Parkinson (r) (s)
9.45 The Best Day of Your Life? Marjorie Lofthouse talks to Professor Maurice Wilkins, joint winner of the 1962 Nobel Prize for Medicine, for the discovery of the DNA double helix
10.00 News; International Assignment. BBC Correspondents report from around the world
10.30 Morning Story. Spontaneity by Andrew Burnet. The reader is Paul Copley
10.45 Daily Service. New Every Morning, page 67 (s)
11.00 News; Travel; Waiting For Mrs Forbes. Ray Gosling tells a tale of ecclesiastical life in the Diocese of Fulham and Gibraltar. He meets the Rev Kenneth Forrester, chaplain of the dying Anglican community in Pau, in south-west France.
11.48 Anything You Can Do. Professional stereotypes are often broken in these days of sexual equality. There are however one or two remaining surprises. (2) Annette Heaton, the sole woman in the Red Devils army parachute jumping team, talks about the ups and downs of her life.
12.00 News; The Food Programme with Derek Cooper
12.27 The Ruthless Rhymer. A profile of humorist Harry Graham. Presented by Jeremy Nicholas. Contributors include Miles Kington and Virginia Graham. **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World At One. News
1.40 The Archers **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; Woman's Hour with Helen Boaden. Includes a feature on the Terrible Knitters of Dent. And an item on the work of Britain's only female consultant neuro-surgeon.
3.00 News; The Robe. Biblical adventure story by Lloyd C Douglas. With Anton Lesser as Marcellus Gallio and Bernard Hepton as Senator Gallio (2) (r)
4.00 News
4.05 Inheritance. Melanie Butler meets the last three Burghers of Galle, who made fudge, teach elocution, and polish brass in Sri Lanka (r)
4.30 Kaleidoscope. A repeat of last night's edition. Including items on the new film Tough Guys, the production of Spookhouse at the Hampstead Theatre, and M S Power's book Darkness in the Eye (r)
5.00 PM. News magazine **5.50** Shipping **5.55** Weather; and travel information.
6.00 News. Financial report
6.30 Going Places. The world of travel and transport. With Clive Jacobs and his team of regulars.
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Pick Of The Week. Margaret Howard selects some radio and TV highlights
8.20 Any Questions? Joining John Timpson in Thurlby, Lancashire, are Kenneth Baker MP, Anne Sofer (member of the SDP National Committee), Frances Morrell (Leader of the ILEA, and Simon Jenkins
9.05 Times Remembered. Ian Skidmore talks to Ken Williams, international conservationist and former country policeman
9.30 Letter From America by Alistair Cooke
9.45 Kaleidoscope. Style On Trial, David Roper asks whether our British designers are helping or hindering manufacturers
10.15 A Book At Bedtime. The Disappearance of Crispina Umberleigh by Saki. The reader is Michael Cochrane.
10.30 The World Tonight
11.00 Today in Parliament
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 Week Ending. Satirical review, with Bill Wallis and the regular team of fun-pokers.(s)
12.00 News; Weather **12.33** Shipping

VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: **5.55-6.00**am Weather; Travel **1.55-2.00**pm Listening Corner. Tales from the Tub (5) (s) **5.50-5.55** PM (continued)

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1:1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m; **Radio 2:** 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m; **Radio 3:** 1215kHz/247m:VHF-90-92.5; **Radio 4:** 200kHz/1500m: VHF-92-95; **LBC:**1152kHz/261m: VHF 97.3; **Capital:** 1548kHz/194m: VHF95.8; **BBC Radio London:** 1458kHz/206m: VHF 94.9; **World Service:** MF 648kHz/463m.

Taylor earns a solid win

By Sydney Friskin

Dennis Taylor, the title winner in 1985, defeated the Welshman, Mark Bennett, 10-4 at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, yesterday to set up a second-round meeting with Neal Foulds in the Embassy world professional snooker championship.

Taylor, who had built an 8-1 lead on the previous night, was make to work for his rewards yesterday by Bennett, aged 23, from New Tredegar, in Gwent, who turned professional only last June and came through the qualifying rounds in Preston to earn his place in the last 32.

If Bennett had taken his chances on the previous night he might have given Taylor a harder task. He had the second, fourth, eighth and ninth frames in his grasp but lost them all through overeagerness.

When play began yesterday, Taylor stretched his lead to 9-2. Bennett, whose adventurous spirit began to pay dividends, pulled back two more frames and he battled gamely in the fourteenth frame until a break of 44 by Taylor settled the issue.

"Neal is playing very well and I am hoping that will motivate me," Taylor said as he contemplated his next match with Foulds. "It should be a good game because he has a good record against me having beaten me in China and in the Rothmans Matchroom League."

Referring to Bennett, Taylor added: "He was a bit nervous and I felt sorry for him. He was hitting the balls much too hard. At the end of it all however, Bennett had his consolation.

Framework management confirmed that he will be joining Howard Kruger's snooker team; consisting of Joe Johnson, Alex Higgins, Tony Knowles, John Parrott and Eugene Hughes.

Kruger said: "Mark Bennett is probably one of the most promising players in professional snooker and Framework is particularly keen to have a hand in the development of future players if Mark's calibre, which I hope can only enhance the sport of snooker as a whole."

Ray Reardon, wearing enlarged spectacles similar to those of Taylor, was obviously seeing things very well when he began his second round match with Steve Davis.

Reardon won the first two frames and took a 3-1 lead with a clearance break of 76 but Davis pulled back to 3-3. Second round matches are played over 25 frames.

RESULTS: First round: Yesterday: Dennis Taylor (NI) bt M Bennett (Wales), 10-4: Frame scores (Taylor first): 10-78, 69-57, 83-34, 72-64, 135-0, 81-8, 79-16, 64-34, 70-50, 35-73, 71-52, 41-73, 52-63, 68-65.

Wednesday: D Mountjoy (Wales) bt David Taylor (Eng), 10-5. Frame scores (Mountjoy first): 37-80, 23-98, 64-57, 58-9, 12-77, 64-12, 74-16, 82-35, 62-1, 55-58, 64-36, 81-40, 48-65, 65-24, 56-23.

Dogged Hardie makes most of his good fortune

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

LORD'S: MCC, with seven second-innings wickets in hand, lead Essex by 203 runs.

Quite the most remarkable thing to happen at Lord's yesterday was that the sprinklers were switched on, which, like the weather itself, made it seem like Sydney or Cape Town in mid-summer. This was on the Nursery, which was under water only ten days ago. On the main ground, MCC gained a first-innings lead of 114 and increased it before the close of play to 203, for the loss of three wickets.

Hardie's dogged 79 for Essex was the best score of the day. He played and missed often enough outside his off stump to have used up all his luck for the season. I think this embarrassed him at times — almost as much as it infuriated the bowlers — but the more it happened the likelier he was to hit the next full half-volley through extra cover for four.

The spinners have yet to take a wicket in the match. The main reason for their going without yesterday was the performance of MCC's three faster bowlers, DeFreitas, Thomas and Jarvis, who all did well. With the ball moving about off the pitch and sometimes in the air, they were seldom without four slips and a couple of gullies, and they were not there simply for show. Of the ten MCC wickets to fall, eight were caught either by the wicketkeeper or at second or fourth slip.

Until he began to tire, Thomas bowled a much better line than when he was with us in West Indies, and at a very lively speed; Defreitas, who finished with five for 55, showed how much he came on in Australia during the winter. With Dilley, Foster and Small to be taken into account as well, the fast bowlers in the England side will have to earn their places. Although Jarvis was the slowest of those on show yesterday, he took three useful wickets in the middle of the afternoon and it is early in the season to be letting fly, especially when, as in his case, there are past injuries to be tested.

After East, the night watchman, had been out in the day's third over, Gladwin and Hardie stayed together until just before lunch, when DeFreitas removed Gladwin and Prichard with successive balls, Gladwin to a good diving catch at the wicket and Prichard to an excellent tumbling one at second slip.

Besides deviating, the occasional ball lifted enough for the wicketkeeper to be taking it quite high up. Without getting eagerly into line, Hardie used one of the game's more distinctive batting methods to survive. This has been a match of rather studied batting technique, with the blade seldom flowing into the stroke. But Hardie's has a charm of its own.

Gladwin had taken 2¼ hours to make 29 and done pretty well to last that long. Once a biffer of the ball, he is now holding himself in while he establishes his place in the side. Pringle was playing more freely when he was caught at the wicket down the leg side, hooking without much attention at a long hop. In the end, Essex slipped from 100 for 2 after 33 overs to 183 all out after 54.

This left the evening to the MCC batsmen, and after Metcalfe, half forward, had been leg before for the second time in the match, Robinson and Whitaker put on 63. It was so cloudlessly lovely that the fielders found short-sleeve sweaters were enough and the batsmen were in shirt sleeves.

Whitaker's way is to get on to the front foot if he can, and play at the pitch of the ball. It was in doing so that he was caught in the gulley, though not before he had played a punishing stroke or two. To win the match from here Essex are going to have to surprise themselves, I imagine. They have been backed down to 5-2 for the championship, the shortest favourites for a long time and an absurd price for not one of the better batting sides.

MCC: First Innings 297 for 5 dec (M W Gatting 111, R C Ontong 63 not out, J J Whitaker 52).

Second Innings

A A Metcalfe lbw b Foster	6
R T Robinson c Pringle b Gooch	45
J J Whitaker c Fletcher b Foster	25
J E Morris not out	10
R C Ontong not out	1
Extras (lb 2)	2
Total (3 wkts)	89

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-71, 3-87.

ESSEX: First Innings

*G A Gooch c Richards b DeFreitas	5
C Gladwin c Richards b DeFreitas	29
†D E East c Robinson b Thomas	12
B R Hardie c Richards b Jarvis	79
P J Prichard c Ontong b DeFreitas	0
K W R Fletcher c Robinson b Thomas	2
D R Pringle c Richards b Jarvis	20
G Miller lbw b DeFreitas	9
N A Foster c Ontong b Jarvis	6
H A Page c Richards b DeFreitas	5
J H Childs not out	0
Extras (lb 4, w 2, nb 9)	15
Total	183

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-9, 2-29, 3-101, 4-101, 5-104, 6-152, 7-171, 8-178, 9-179, 10-183.

BOWLING: Thomas 17-5-57-2; DeFreitas 17-3-62-5; Jarvis 13-3-43-3; Ontong 5-1-13-0; Edmonds 2-0-4-0.

Umpires: J Birkenshaw and R Julian.

Play away

Paraquay, ordered by the International Tennis Federation to play their Davis Cup matches on neutral grounds until 1988 after crowd trouble at their recent 3-2 victory over the United States, will play their forthcoming quarter-final tie against Spain in Mexico City.

Crowe presents a pleasant problem

By Andrew Longmore

The sudden availability of Martin Crowe as a result of the abandonment yesterday of New Zealand's tour of Sri Lanka has presented Somerset with an unexpected embarrassment of riches.

Somerset could now have Crowe, their registered overseas player, who is heading back to England from Colombo, and Steve Waugh, the young Australian all-rounder, signed on a match-by-match contract until Crowe's return, available for their first Britannic Assurance championship match against Lancashire tomorrow.

"It's a pleasant embarrassment for us," Tony Brown, the Somerset secretary said. "Obviously we are pleased that Martin is available for an extra three weeks, but we will just have to see what arrangements we can come to when they both arrive here."

The terms of Waugh's contract were that he would be paid a retainer for the season, and a match fee for a stipulated number of games until Crowe's arrival in mid-May, and it is possible that he will still play a few games anyway. "It's one of several options," Brown said. "We have an agreement with Steve and that will be binding." Either way, Somerset will want to keep Waugh, who is playing for Nelson in the Lancashire League, on stand-by in case of injury to Crowe later in the season.

Nottinghamshire too were waiting to hear from their New Zealand all-rounder, Richard Hadlee. Hadlee has flown back home with the rest of the New Zealand party, but Ken Taylor, the manager, was hopeful that he would be available early in May.

The expected decision to abort the New Zealand's month-long tour after two weeks was taken despite assurances for the team's safety by the Sri Lankan authorities. The team had been kept under curfew in their Colombo hotel since the bomb which killed 115 people went off on Tuesday just two miles away.

"In view of the tense atmosphere, it would have been very difficult to have motivated the players to perform to their best," Jeff Crowe, captain, said. "The majority of players agreed with the decision, though we are very sorry the tour should have to end in this way."

The New Zealanders were due to start the Second Test in Kandy today after drawing the first of a three-match series, and they were also scheduled to play four one-day internationals.

The incomparable backdrop: Running MPs, from left, Rob Hayward, Dennis Canavan and David Heathcoat Amory try out the Westminster Bridge run-in (Photo: Bill Warhurst)

Running MPs in quest of a million

By Michael Coleman

The camaraderie of the long distance runner was fully in evidence when MPs on both sides of the House launched an appeal yesterday for one million signatures to a petition seeking to guarantee the future use of County Hall for the Mars London Marathon finish.

Westminster Bridge must be preserved as the finishing line for what has developed into the world's greatest big city marathon, it was unanimously agreed. The backdrop of Big Ben and Parliament lent the event an historic aura that, thanks to television coverage, was being projected to Britain's benefit across the globe. No other site was comparable, they said.

But all this was under threat, the MPs, whom Chris Brasher, race director, described as "a very select committee", stressed at a House of Commons press conference. The future of County Hall, former headquarters of the now defunct Greater London Council, remained in doubt. Its eventual purchaser might not relish the prospect of having to open its doors on marathon race weekend to 25,000 perhaps grubby marathon participants and their entourages.

Souls with bodies in need of rest

Hence the MPs' petition which, when completed, will be laid before Parliament. It declares, after the preamble:

"That a finish on Westminster Bridge necessitates the use of County Hall and its environs for those souls who have subjected their bodies to 26 miles 385 yards of road. Wherefore your petitioners pray that your honourable House plead with Her Majesty's Government to take all steps to ensure that on one weekend a year the listed building known as County Hall be made available to the London Marathon so that proper rest and resuscitation may be given to the gallant competitors and also to provide the necessary facilities for the media and results service so that word of this great event can be disseminated throughout the world."

The "very select committee" is made up of nine MPs who have run the London Marathon and experienced what Alistair Burt (Conservative, Bury North) put as "that final inspiration as you see Parliament Square, Big Ben, Westminster Bridge and, to be sexist, the kiss as, sweaty, you totter across the line from the girl when she gives you your medal".

Dennis Canavan (Labour, Falkirk West), with four marathons under his belt including three in London, nodded in agreement. He said he had managed to extract from the Minister for Sport a promise that the London Residuary Body (the GLC's mopper-up) would speak to prospective purchasers about this marathon requirement.

"But we intend to keep up our pressure," he said. "We think a million signatures is an attainable target, after all it means each of the runners in this year's ace (May 10) collecting just 50 signatures."

Streets ahead of New York

Mr Rob Hayward (Conservative, Kingswood Bristol) said he had run both London and New York — the only MP to have done so, he pointed out modestly — and there was no doubt which was most impressive. "London was streets ahead and its historic location must be saved."

Another Tory MP, Mr John Wilkinson (Ruislip-Northwood) said he respected Messrs Burt, Hayward and Canavan "as larger than life" since they had run the whole distance while his efforts were confined to just half marathons. "However, I know from my own humble runs in Hillingdon what money-spinners they are for so many worthy causes." His suggestion was that County Hall become the headquarters of the West European Union, an international body whose interests would be more sympathetic with those of the London Marathon.

Brasher estimated that up to £20 million had been raised for charities since the London Marathon started. "Cut the field by half and you cut the income accordingly," he said. What he was dreading was a deluxe hotel group as purchaser, though Mr Hayward and others demurred on this, giving instances of New York, Chicago and Berlin where the five star hotels had got into the running swing as smoothly as certain MPs.

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Ballesteros controversy is not a flagging concern

From Mitchell Platts, Golf Correspondent, Madrid

It is debatable, and the initial response from the PGA officials is that he is not guilty, but Severiano Ballesteros may have unwittingly broken a rule of golf in compiling a first round of 69 on the Puerta de Hierro course here yesterday to stand five shots behind the Cepsa Madrid Open leader, Brad Bell, of the United States.

Ballesteros set the puzzle when he revealed at a Press conference that one of the reasons for having his brother, Vicente, hold the flag in the cup, even for putts as short as four feet, was to shield himself from the glare of the sun. Vicente stands bolt upright directly behind the hole with the flag at an angle across his body. Ballesteros claimed at the conference that it reduced the possibility of him being distracted by shuffling spectators or by inexperienced cameramen and, as he stretched himself, it helped with the sun.

It is the last point which should concern us, and for that matter Ballesteros, for Rule of Golf 14-2, with reference to assistance, states: "In making a stroke, a player shall not accept physical assistance or protection from the elements." The penalty is two strokes.

John Paramor, the tournament director, initially claimed that he did not think Ballesteros's practice was illegal. Paramor, however, was sufficiently concerned so he sought Ballesteros for an explanation. "He told me that Vicente stood there to reduce the possibility of the crowd disturbing him," Paramor said. "It would only be a breach of the rule if the sole purpose of Vicente standing there was to screen Seve from the sun."

What concerns some observers is that Ballesteros began this unusual practice after his demise at Augusta when, at the first extra hole in the US Masters, he missed a putt of five feet. He has suggested that it might have been caused by a setting sun sparkling through the towering pine trees.

Meanwhile, Bell, too, had a problem with the sun, although it was one with which he could live. The golfer from Sacramento, California, aged 25, produced the shot of his life when he holed a one-iron second shot of 241yds for that rarest of birds, an albatross 2, at the fifth. "I didn't see it go in because the sun was too bright," Bell said.

Bell also collected six birdies but he missed equalling the course record, held by Ballesteros, because he dropped a shot at his last hole. Even so he led at the end of the day by three shots from Ian Woosnam, who is playing the best golf of his career, and the Australian, Wane Grady.

The championship began a few minutes late, because the starter was not on the tee but it might have been a blessing in disguise. For Paramor had to change the positions of the cups. He explained: "The Spanish Federation run the Madrid Open but we are normally given the courtesy of setting the course. That privilege was denied to us on this occasion.

LEADING FIRST ROUND SCORES (GB unless stated): 64: B Bell (US). 67: W Grady (Aus); I Woosnam. 68: J Bland (SA); G J Brand; G Turner (NZ); D Smyth (Ire). 69: D Durnian, B Marchbank, S Ballesteros (Sp); I Mosey; M Lanner (Swe). P Walton (Ire); J Rivero (Sp); M Piñero (Sp); E Darcy (Ire); A Saavedra (Arg). 70: M Allen (US); P Curry; R Rafferty; W Humphreys; J M Olazábal (Sp); N Faldo. 71: R Stelten (US); A Oldcorn; G Turner; J Spence (US); G Ralph; J Davila (Sp); D J Russell; M Calero (Sp); C Mason; R Chapman; B Gallacher; O Sellberg (Swe); M Aparicio (Sp); R Drummond; S Torrance; M Poxon. 72: J Clifford (Aus); D Ray; D Cooper; R Commons (US); A Chamley; J Hawkes (SA); M Tapia (Fr); M James; B Waites; M Clayton (Aus); P Carrigill; J M Cañizares (Sp); M Martin (Sp); H Clark; S Bishop; A Forsbrand (Swe); J Slaughter (US).

Card of the course

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	193	3	10	422	4
2	569	5	11	217	3
3	423	4	12	459	4
4	411	4	13	309	4
5	530	5	14	470	4
6	179	3	15	501	5
7	395	4	16	392	4
8	300	4	17	174	3
9	434	4	18	605	5
Out	3,434	36	In	3,549	36

Total yardage: 6,983 Par: 72

Injury spells end for sad Bailey

By Ian Ross

Gary Bailey, Manchester United's England international goalkeeper, has been forced to retire through injury. The South African-born player, aged 28, announced he was to quit professional football yesterday after being advised by a leading specialist that wear and tear on a badly damaged right knee could leave him crippled for life.

Bailey, understudy to Peter Shilton over the past two years, injured his knee while training with the national squad in April last year. He underwent two major operations in a bid to save his career but despite returning to United's first team for a brief spell in February he was never able to play pain-free.

Bailey, a computer science graduate who made his debut for United in 1978 and played 296 League games, is now likely to return to South Africa and pursue a career in industry.

● Swansea City won their appeal yesterday against the football league's decision to deduct three points from them after they called off a League match last month without permission.

A board of appeal decided that the League had been wrong to insist that Swansea should go ahead with their match at Rochdale in the fourth division on Tuesday March 3. Swansea had asked the League for permission to call off the game because their first team squad had been badly hit by illness but they were told they must fulfil the fixture.

The Welsh club then called the game off themselves, in breach of League rules, and had the points deducted after appearing before a League tribunal. A spokesman for the League yesterday said: "The board of appeal felt that in the circumstances the match should have been called off in line with Swansea's request. The three points have now been re-instated."

● Everton's preparations for tomorrow's crucial Merseyside derby with champions Liverpool suffered a setback yesterday. Gary Stevens, the England international full back, was pulled out of a morning training session with a groin strain and is now rated as doubtful

Graeme Sharp, the Scottish international forward who has been out of action for three months after undergoing surgery on a damaged ankle, is unlikely to return

Arias dispels the nightmare

From Richard Evans, Monte Carlo

On a day when sanity returned to the Volvo Monte Carlo tennis open, Jimmy Arias put his Paraguayan nightmares behind him and offered glimpses of the player he used to be. Having disposed of Boris Becker in the second round, Arias reached the quarter-finals with a 7-5, 6-1 victory over his United States Davis Cup colleague Aaron Krickstein, resuming a lifetime dominance over a rival who had scored a rare victory over him in Nice last week.

In 1984, as holder of the Italian and US clay court titles, this chirpy little player, with a smile as big as his forehand, was ranked No 5 in the world.

Then the confidence started to ebb as he tried to add a volley to his natural baseline game. None of the setbacks he suffered on the grand prix tour matched the nadir he reached in Asuncion last month, when he took the United States to within one point of victory over Paraguay and then lost from 5-1 up in the fifth set against Hugo Chapacu.

"That was the bottom of the barrel for me," Arias admitted. "I didn't sleep for two days after that. Every time I closed my eyes I started rerunning the shots I could have played."

But instead of wallowing in despair, Arias consulted a sports psychologist in Florida, who made him watch videos of the old, happy Arias. "Since then I have been playing great," he said.

With the top three seeds gone, Mats Wilander has become the automatic favourite for this title, but nothing is that certain any more, and although the Swede played well to beat Thierry Tulasne 7-5, 6-3, Ulf Stenlund, who defeated Tore Meinecke of West Germany, is also looking very solid.

RESULTS: Third round: A Chesnokov (USSR) bt R Osterthun (WG), 6-2, 6-4; A Gomez (Ecu) bt J Hlasek (Switz), 7-5, 6-1; M Wilander (Swe) bt T Tulasne (Fr), 7-5, 6-3; U Stenlund (Swe) bt T Meinecke (WG), 7-6, 6-3; M Jaite (Arg) bt T Muster (Austria), 6-2, 6-4; J Arias (US) beat A Krickstein (US), 7-5, 6-1; H Skoff (Austria) bt T Benhabiles (Fr), 7-5, 3-6, 7-6.

● HAMBURG: A man angered because the world's No 2 woman player, Steffi Graf, did not answer his fan letters claimed he sent the teenager a jar of marmalade containing a dangerous dose of ground-up blood pressure pills, the West German newspaper *Bild* said yesterday (AP reports). The jar had been discarded by the Graf family, and Steffi did not eat the marmalade. Tests on it have proved inconclusive.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Ladies get a new deal

Women's golf received a double boost yesterday with the announcement by the Women's Professional Golf Association of a sponsorship deal and new support for the matchplay championship.

The new sponsors are the International Wool Secretariat, who are putting up the £6,000 prize money for the order of merit as well as backing the tournament for the next three years.

Murray's post

Ewan Murray, chairman of the British Amateur Athletic Board, has been named chairman of the Commonwealth Games Council for Scotland. He succeeds Arthur Campbell, who held the post for eight years.

Boutsen: setting the pace

Gate crashers

American football is expected to generate its first £1 million gate in Britain when the Denver Broncos play the Los Angeles Rams at Wembley on August 9. A sell-out crowd of around 85,000 is expected for the match, which will be broadcast live throughout the United States.

Fast mover

Thierry Boutsen, in a Benetton-BMW, clocked the fastest time at the Imola autodrome in Italy during test runs for the forthcoming San Marino formula one motor racing grand prix. The Belgian's best lap of 1min 30.26sec was around three seconds faster than the Ferraris of Gerhard Berger and Michele Alboreto.

In the swim

Adrian Moorhouse, the European and Commonwealth Games breaststroke champion, will head a six-strong England swimming squad for the Hapoel Games in Tel Aviv from May 7-10. The others are: Mike Fibbens (Beckenham), Stephen Poulter (Wigan Wasps), Grant Robins (Portsmouth Northsea), Kathy Read and Gaynor Stanley (both Stockport Metro).

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